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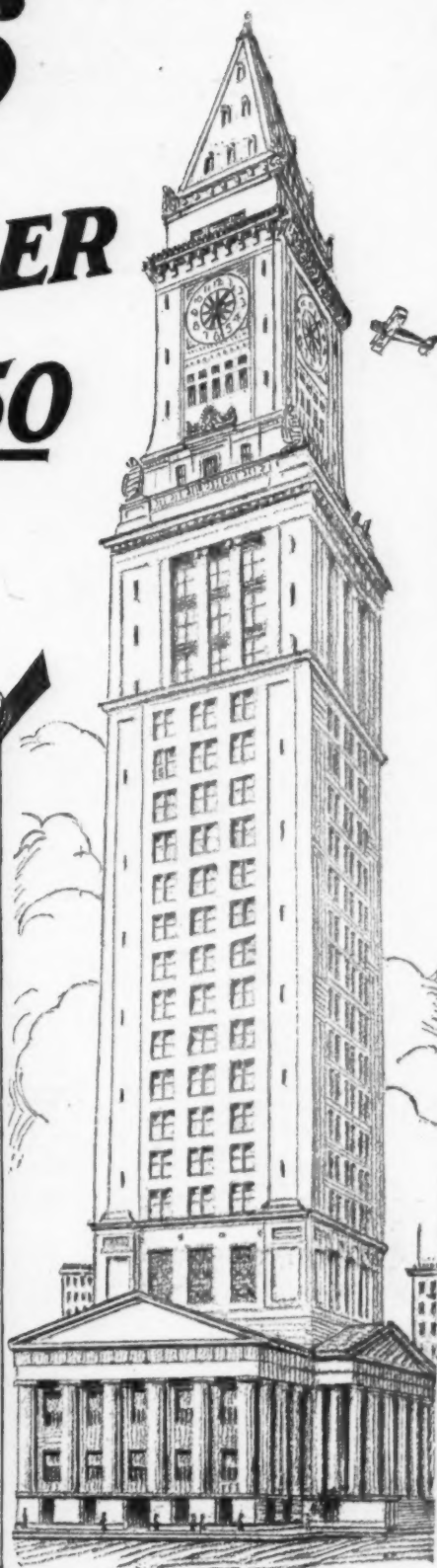
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## Forecast of Contributions for April Issue

A recent development in tuned radio frequency transformers, with their application in the Browning-Drake circuit is fully described by Volney D. Hurd. The article is illustrated by photographs, circuit diagrams and a picture circuit, enabling anyone to duplicate his results.

E. C. Nichols describes three circuits based on experiments with the single tube reflex. These simplify controls and apply the latest developments in tuned radio frequency amplification.

Frank C. Jones presents the results of some actual load tests of electrolytic and kenotron rectifiers.

As a fitting follow-up to his articles on harmonic transmission F. Dawson Bliley presents "A Transmitter That's Different."

Paul B. Findlay describes the Army's high power radio station at Fort Leavenworth, illustrating his story with some excellent pictures.

C. H. Campbell gives the details for a practical remote control system which is in successful use at 1 B M.

Alexander Maxwell tells how to build a one-tube short-wave loop receiver.

In the April issue will be published the first article in a remarkable series on audio-frequency transformers, constituting the most complete analysis of the subject ever published.

Ferd Humphreys illustrates and describes the construction of "An-A-Batteryless Audio Amplifier" utilizing 110 volt A. C. as the primary source of current supply.

D. B. McGown discusses "Harmonic Interference," its meaning, effect, and elimination in radiocast reception.

Harry A. Nickerson has some helpful ideas in his article on "Building Sets to Make Money," where time is the essence of success.

The new 20 K. W. tube set operated by the Army at Annapolis, Md., is illustrated and described by S. R. Winters.

James A. Ramsey has written an interesting account of the part radio is playing in education.

The fiction feature is "The Ether Garblers," a radio mystery story by Volney G. Mathison.



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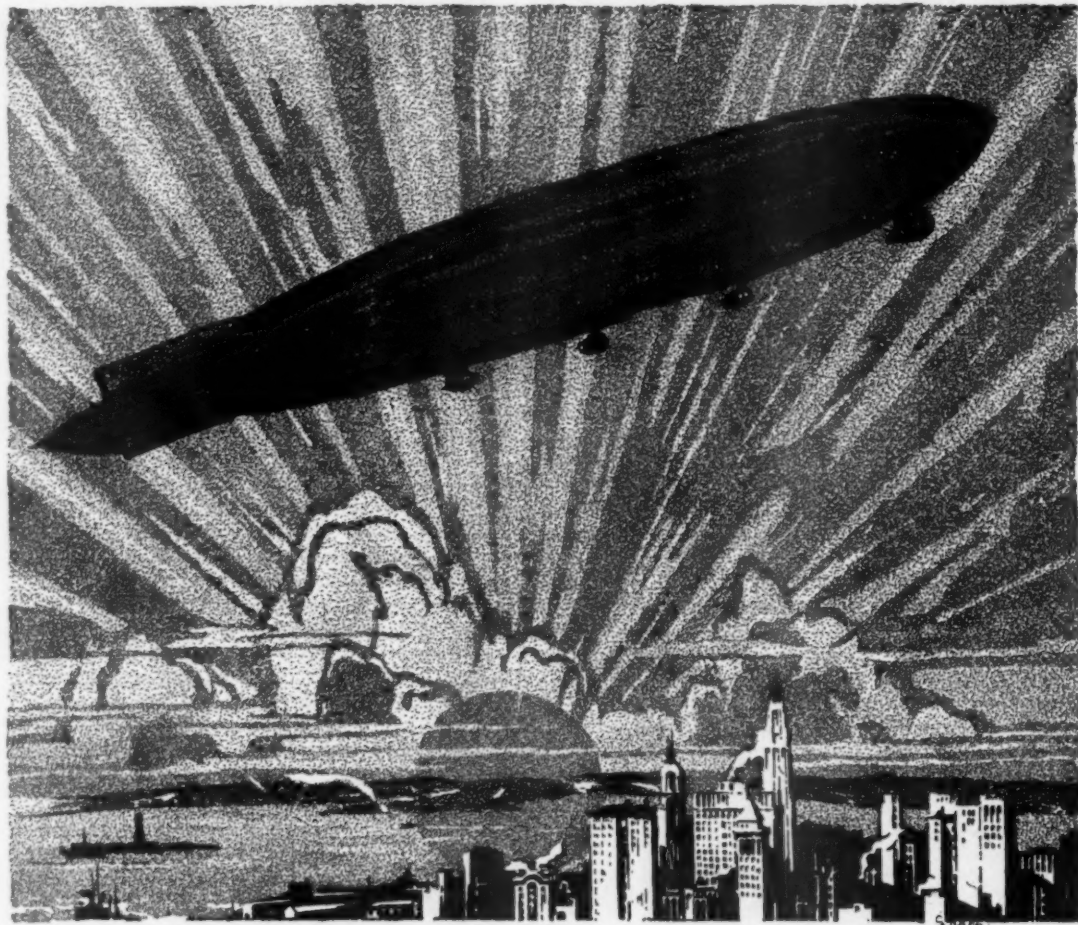
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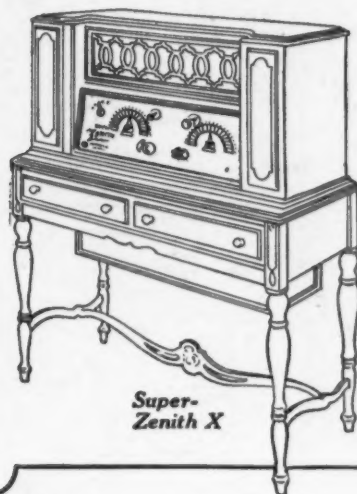
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## *Radiatorial Comment*

**R**ADIATIONS from faulty electric power lines or equipment constitute an elusive, annoying and widespread source of interference to pleasurable radiocast and code reception. They are elusive because they may vary with weather conditions and are often difficult to locate, especially if coming from some part of a system miles away from the fault actually producing the disturbances. They are annoying, not alone in making reception disagreeable, but also because their correction usually lies beyond the ability of the listener. They are widespread because liable to occur wherever power lines go.

The trouble is not due to the receiver, which is merely performing its normal function of detecting radiations, but to the electric power system, whose function is to transmit or utilize power and not to radiate it. These radiations are not caused by the useful sixty-cycle current, which is comparatively inaudible and not easily radiated, but by high frequency oscillations produced by arcing grounds, leakage over defective insulators, or anything else causing an electric spark discharge.

While they represent a greater or less waste of energy their main objection, from the power company's viewpoint, is the possibility of a future break in the continuity of service. Their occurrence is a danger signal which it is to the company's self-interest to investigate.

But of far greater significance than this physical break is the danger of a break in the continuity of friendly relation with the public. No one can feel friendly to a company whose equipment is a constant source of annoyance. The \$75,000,000 additional annual revenue which radio has brought to the power companies through battery charging and later hours of home lighting is but a drop in the bucket when compared with the public good-will which is thus being seriously jeopardized.

Most power companies are fully alive to this situation, although a few still inform complainants that they are not interested. But knowing of a situation and taking active steps to correct it are two entirely different matters. Some of the companies have made more or less half-hearted efforts to locate trouble after it has been called to their attention but, so far as we are informed, none have taken the initiative in finding these faults before complaints are registered.

It is no more difficult for a power company to know of this interference than for a consumer to be annoyed by it. A sensitive radio receiving set in each district office, substation and power plant will give notice as soon as defects occur and a crew can be sent out to remedy them at once. The expense of this would be negligible in comparison with the value of the goodwill thus preserved, especially if the power company lets it be known that sincere efforts are being made to locate and prevent such interferences. Furthermore the company would have facts instead of surmises to answer many complaints of interference which are not caused by their equipment.

There are admittedly many difficult technical problems to be solved before all of these undesirable radiations can be eliminated. This is a task for the radio engineers, at least one of whom should be employed by every large power company. A great deal of helpful information is already available in connection with the elimination of the somewhat similar inductive interference of power lines with telephone lines. Much of it can be applied with profit to the present problem.

A suggestion for alleviating the trouble has been made by Colonel J. F. Dillon, supervisor of the sixth radio district, who has given much thought to this problem as well as that of radiations from the electrical precipitators used at smelting and cement plants. He suggests that resonant circuits be installed at convenient points along the line to drain off any high frequency currents. While this may be feasible for lines devoted solely to their prime purpose of power transmission it may cause difficulty on lines where "wired radio" is used. But even then their prime purpose should be paramount.

Heretofore there has been much talk but little action. The time has come for the power companies to act voluntarily. The public is long-suffering, but patience sometime ceases to be a virtue. Unless corrective action is soon taken some astute politician will ride into office on a slogan of non-radiating power lines, his support coming from thirty million irate radio fans.

Finally the Federal law definitely forbids transmission without a license. It is beyond the realms of belief that any power company can secure a license to maintain a public nuisance!





*Ready to Listen In at the Arctic Divide*

## Radio in the Icefields of the Canadian Rockies

A Remarkable Account of Reception Under Difficult and Unusual Conditions

*By Lewis R. Freeman*

**I**T is always interesting to try out a new and developing invention under fresh and hitherto untried conditions. When I sought advice in Chicago and New York last summer as to the chances of its proving worth while to take a radio set with an exploring expedition which I was about to accompany to the icefields of the Canadian Rockies, expert opinion was far from encouraging. Several of the high-power stations reported that, having had practically no authentic

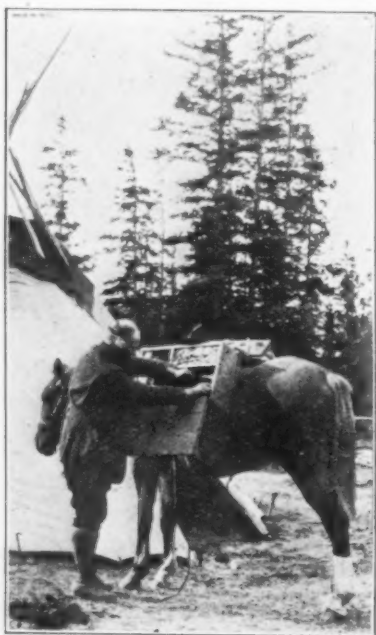
records of having been picked up in the mountain regions of western Canada, they were inclined to believe that conditions were not favorable to radio reception. Eastern Canadian stations reported to much the same effect. The charts showing places at which they had been heard were practically blank beyond the wall of the Rockies.

While admitting that this might be due to the fact that few if any radio sets had been taken into the high Rockies, the consensus of opinion was that the only sets likely to be successful would have to be very sensitive, and in the hands of experts. When I explained that the region to which we expected to penetrate could only be reached by taking a pack-train through trackless timber, up and down flooded valleys and (in at least one instance) across the arm of an extensive icefield, they were a unit in declaring that the type of set which they believed would be needed to get any real results would not survive the first day's packing.

The experts were proven by the sequel to have been both right and wrong. They were right in their belief that none of the highly sensitive sets, cumbersome yet delicate as they were, could withstand the all but annihilative roughness of pack-horse travel. But they were equally wrong in believing that a light, simple and comparatively easily protected radio set would not be technically equal to receiving in the high Rockies

stations from all parts of the United States and Canada.

Such a set brought results beyond all expectations. Indeed, it is open to question if a small set of this character, operating under the most favorable conditions in the heart of the United States, could have done any better, either as to distance or quality. If this is true, it would seem to indicate that, far from being a "dead" area, the icefields of the Canadian Rockies and the region surrounding them are exceptionally favorable for radio.



*Reception from Horseback*



*Where Even the Deer Are Tamed by Radio*



*Logging A Concert From San Francisco*

The set in question was a Radiola III-A, weighing but a few pounds. A stout oblong box, built to swing to one side of a pack-saddle, was constructed in Banff. One compartment held the radio, another the dry batteries, all connected up, and a third spare parts. The total weight of the loaded box was about 60 pounds. This was balanced on the other side of the horse with a grub-box. A bag containing the insulated wire for the aerial rode between the boxes, with a cage containing our carrier pigeons crowning the load.

A preliminary trial of the radio before starting out from Lake Louise was fairly encouraging. During the next week, however, the set was so badly banged in working the pack-train through fallen timber, and so thoroughly soaked in fording swollen rivers, that we gave up all hope of ever putting it in action again. It was with no little surprise that a very hurried and imperfect set-up at Bow Lake proved that there was not only life in the radio but in the air as well. Nothing came in very satis-

factorily, however, unless we except several deer that filed down where the horses had been salted the night before. One of the does I snapped in the very act of sniffing the radio. As we were confident the fault was in the very hastily strung aerial, we were far from discouraged that reception was not clearer.



*Across the Ice Fields by Sled*

It was not until we made camp for a week in Castleguard Valley that there was time to give the radio a good overhauling and to put up an antenna with proper regard to direction and ground. Here, at an elevation of 7,500 feet, with glaciers literally on every side, we were rewarded by getting stations as far apart as Hastings, Los Angeles, Montreal and Vancouver. Calgary and several unidentified Eastern stations were picked up in the middle of the afternoon. Quality was not all that could be desired yet, though even on the stormiest nights static was by no means as bad as we had experienced the preceding year in the depths of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

Confident now that the radio was going to be of real use to us, we gave more attention to its packing and protection on the trail. I use the word trail from habit. As a matter of fact during three-quarters of our trip we had nothing in the way of a track to follow over the



*Taking Radio to the Top of the Continent*

roughest mountain on the North American continent. In taking the outfit down five miles of the great Saskatchewan Glacier, an attempt was made to save the radio by carrying it lashed to a rough sledge. This worked fairly well as long as a man could be spared to draw the clumsy contrivance, but when we all had to give our attention to the horses there was nothing to do but harness our huskie to the sledge. "Buster's" intentions were good, but when a rock rabbit chirruped from its nest in the medial moraine instinct rose superior to training. Luckily it was a very narrow crevasse that "Buster" hurdled in his flying assault, else we would have needed something longer than an alpenstock to fish the radio box and sledge up from the bottle-green depths.

The radio box was restored to its horse at this juncture, to be almost crushed when that unlucky animal was caught between two sliding fragments of granite where we were working the pack-train off below the snout of the glacier.

The next day we crossed the divide to the head-waters of the Athabasca and



made camp at timber-line close to the side of the glacier of the same name. Here, on the Arctic side of the continental divide, with a score of thirteen thousand-foot-high peaks and the whole hundred and fifty square miles of the great Columbia Icefield intervening between us and civilization, the radio came fully to its own. KDKA of Pittsburg, especially with its late programs, came in with the greatest clearness, as did also KFKX of Hastings, CKAC of Montreal, KGO of Oakland, CKCD of Vancouver, and scores of intermediate stations. The high-power stations we soon came to pick up almost at will irrespective of the weather, though Hastings was somewhat elusive until a change of wavelength made it almost as dependable as our main stand-by, the powerful KGO. The latter was a source of never ending pleasure. Time and again we could pick it up with stock reports in the twilight of the long summer days, and hold it right on through to the final signing-off without the loss of a word. We had a complete opera rehearsal broadcasted from San Francisco by KGO, and so clearly that I recognized the voice of the special announcer of the evening as my old friend, Charley Field, of Sunset Magazine. I also recognized without difficulty the voices of friends speaking and singing over KHJ and KFI of Los Angeles.

Our best radio conditions were during the month that followed, when we were camped close up against the Columbia icefield, with its lofty 9-000-foot barrier of perpetual snow and ice intervening between us and the various founts of radio to the south. Here the most delicate nuances of expression were audible, sometimes even the breathing of a singer. Our wrangler, listening to "Sing me to Sleep," lying in bed with the receivers over his ears, actually dozed off and slept until awakened by a spark from the tepee fire.



*A "Broadcast" Receiver from a Bucking Pack Horse*

On the utility side probably our most valuable service was that of the Weather Bureau, broadcasted every evening by KGO. This warned us of the approach of three general storms from the northwest, enabling us to hasten or defer important photographic work that depended upon fair weather. Two of the members of the party holding stock listed on the San Francisco and New York exchanges were able to follow them by the KGO announcements. A conditional order to a broker, based on information thus received and sent out by carrier pigeon to be mailed from Banff, was subsequently executed with profit. Another carrier pigeon letter, to Walter Woehlke of Sunset, San Francisco, was duly replied to in a statement read by Joseph Jackson, Literary Editor of the same publication, through the courtesy of KGO.

It is a matter of regret that we were

too busy to attempt much in the way of daylight reception while still in this zone of ice and clear air where the conditions were so favorable. Our only serious attempts in this line were made a month later at Maligne Lake, at a much lower elevation. Here we had in daylight parts of the speeches of General Pershing and Secretary of War Weeks, in connection, I believe, with the Defense Day program. We also had parts of Hoover's speech to the Radio Congress in Washington, broadcasted from KGO. Neither of these tests were carefully prepared for, or am sure the results would have been much better.

When the broadcasting of the play-by-play progress of the World's Baseball Series came on early in October we were in the midst of a bitter fight with heavy winter snows of the high passes between Jasper and Banff. Busy with pack-horses struggling in belly-deep snow by day and too tired at night more than to get up the canvas to keep out the cold that went at one time down as far as ten below zero, we still contrived enough hasty and improvised string-ups of the aerial to follow the sequence of the games. One of these, with the wire run between the side of a glacier and a dead tree, with the radio still in its pack-box on the horse, brought in the news of several plays of the epic final game which clinched Washington's victory.

First and last, then, it will be seen that the radio, besides being infinitely entertaining, also proved an article of considerable utility. It was a real pity, of course, that the expedition did not include anyone with the least technical knowledge of radio. What were evidently Morse code signals of great strength came in repeatedly when we hooked up the instrument in the afternoon, but there was none among us with sufficient intelligence to puzzle out from whence they came.



*"The Thermometer Touched 115 Degrees Today at Fresno, California"*



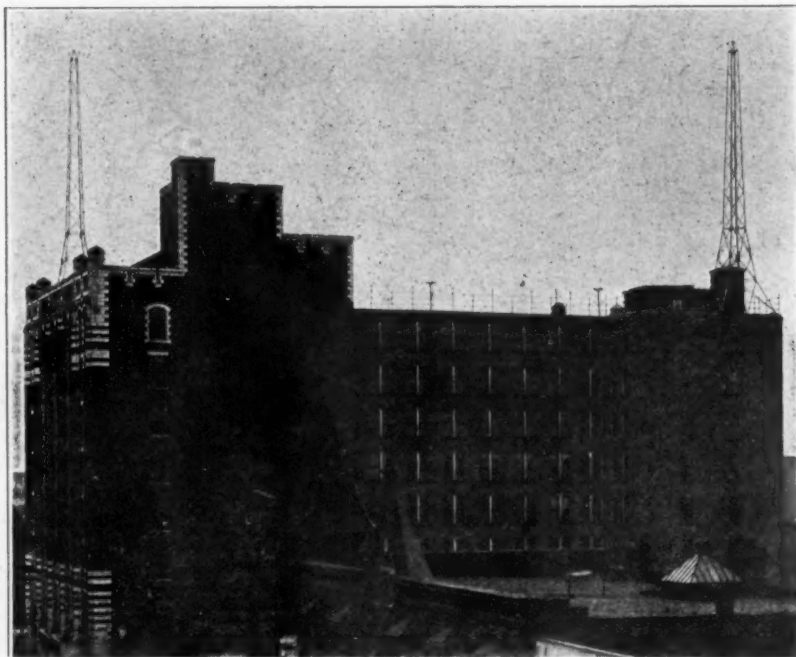
# Radio Activities on the Canadian National Railways

An Illustrated Description of Their Nine Radiocast Stations and Receiving Equipment on Trains

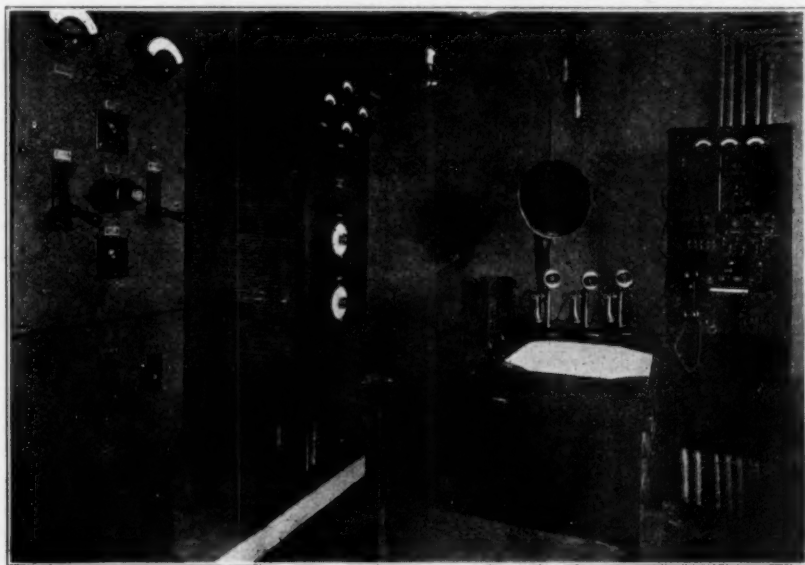
By *W. H. Swift, Jr. Radio Engineer, Canadian National Railways*

**R**ADIO as a definite part of the service offered to the community by a transportation system, may, perhaps, seem rather a visionary project, yet, so far as the Canadian National Railways are concerned, it is not in the mere experimental stage, or offered as an amusing plaything, but is seriously and definitely in daily use as one of the factors considered necessary for the convenience of the travelling public. The Canadian National Railways' radio department is now as truly a part of the system as those concerned with operation, traffic, express, telegraph, lands and colonization. Furthermore, this is the first railway system in the world to adopt radio as part of the regular service of transportation.

It was during the early summer of 1923 that radio on the Canadian National Railways really came into being, after a number of years of interesting experiments. A party of influential citizens from New York and New Jersey were on their way across Canada on a

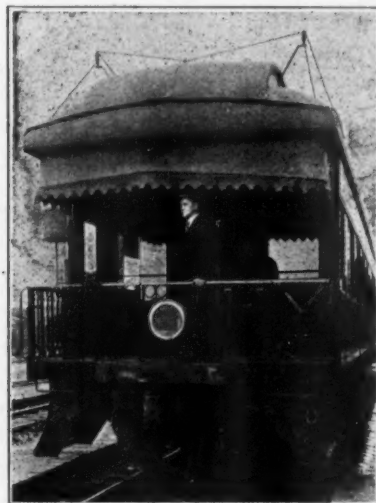


*Aerial at CNRO, Ottawa, Canada, 187 Feet Above the Street*



*Operating Room at CNRO, 435 Meters*

the department and to develop the general line of policy to be followed. He gathered about him a group of radio engineers after which the active work was planned and carried out. Negotiations were entered into with companies in Montreal already operating radiocast stations, several trains were equipped with receiving sets, and on New Years Eve, 1923, the radio program of the Canadian National Railways became an



*Aerial on C. N. R. Car*

special train. It was decided, as a novelty, to radiocast to them a message of welcome to the Dominion as their train left Montreal and to tell them something of the scenic treats in store on their westward journey. The observation car of their train was fitted with a receiving set and W. D. Robb, vice-

president of the road, who is keenly interested in radio from a scientific standpoint, delivered the address into the microphone. The experiment was successful beyond all anticipations and in that moment the radio service of the Canadian National Railways was born.

It was left to Mr. Robb to organize

established fact with a radiocast from Montreal. Speakers on that occasion were: Sir Henry Thornton, K. B. E., chairman and president; Messrs. S. J. Hungerford, J. E. Dalrymple and W. D. Robb, vice-presidents.

The next step was the erection of a radiocast station in Ottawa. This was carried out by the staff of the Canadian National Railways and in a few months Ottawa, the Capital of Canada, became the site of the most powerful station in the Dominion. Then followed the establishment of other links in the chain. One by one, stations were added at Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Moncton, and by the time this article appears in print we hope

hotels of the system also have receiving sets.

At this point it will not be amiss to say something of the type of stations and their equipment, taking Ottawa as one example. Station CNRO is located on the roof of the Jackson Building, Ottawa's most pretentious office building, with the studio on the first floor. The Jackson building is 112 ft. high, with aerial towers rising another 75 ft. above the roof, thus giving the station command of the highest point in the Capital. The Jackson building is a modern, reinforced concrete structure, the roof area being approximately 100 by 200 ft. This made possible the erection of specially galvanized steel tow-



*Aerial at CNRA, Moncton, N. B.*



*Operating Room at CNRA, Moncton, N. B.*

a station will be in operation at Vancouver, so that the company is in the position of being able to radiocast east and west across Canada at will, a stretch of nearly four thousand miles from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

During the period of growth and development of the radiocast chain, the work of equipping trains with radio receiving sets was not being neglected. Difficulty was experienced at first in obtaining the types of sets necessary for the successful reception of programs on board a moving train, but this difficulty was eventually overcome and today all of the sixteen transcontinental trains needed for the eastward and westward daily movement of passengers between Montreal and Vancouver, have been equipped with receiving sets. Trains operating between Montreal and Quebec have also been equipped as well as "The National," which is operated between Toronto and Winnipeg. Eventually every important train on the system will have radio receiving sets. These sets are placed in the compartment-observation cars on the transcontinental route and on the parlor-library cars of the Montreal-Quebec trains. The equipment includes a number of individual headphones as well as loud speaker. All

ers, which were built at diagonal corners. The height available for aerial suspension is 187 ft., and the aerial is of four strands, each strand being approximately 155 ft. long. The operating and power rooms were placed in adjoining independent brick structures, at the base and to the left of the rear tower, thus enabling the lead-in from the aerials to be brought directly to the operating room with an almost perpendicular drop. The operating room is 10 by 12 ft., and the power room 9 by 12 ft., with brick walls and partitions, and with approximately 11 ft. of head room. They are reasonably sound proof.

The studio consists of a room on the first floor of the building and is 22 by 25 ft. The walls are covered with a heavy light blue rep and the floor covering is of an extra quality dark blue Wilton car-

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*Radio-Equipped Observation Car*



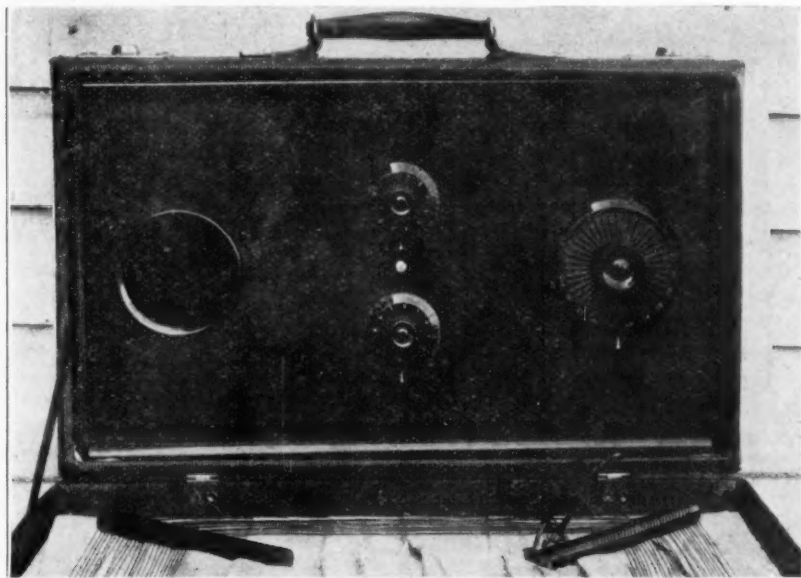
# A Self-Contained Portable Receiver

A Four-Tube Reflex With Loudspeaker. Loop and Batteries Compactly Housed in a Suit-Case

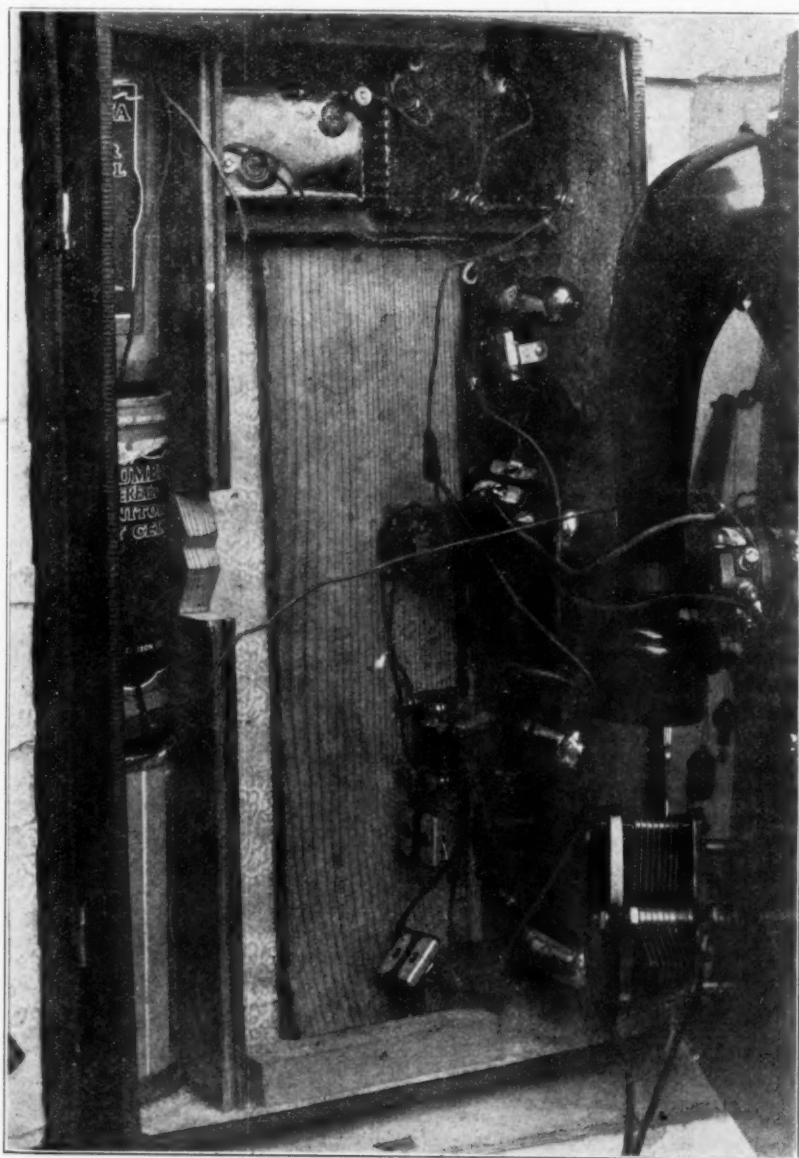
By Brainard Foote

A set that is really portable and that will operate a loudspeaker from a small loop can be assembled in a suit-case by adapting a four-tube reflex circuit to the requirement. This has three stages of radio frequency amplification reflexed with three stages of audio in the first three tubes and uses the fourth tube as the detector.

Of course, you'll be obliged to do a bit of testing with transformer connections and fixed condenser capacities should you tackle this outfit, but trials I've made with several different makes of both R. F. and A. F. transformers clearly demonstrate that results are uniformly good when the by-pass condensers are rightly inserted and the audio transformers connected in correct polarities. Therefore I'm not going to recommend special makes of apparatus—this being unnecessary. All you need are



Panel View of Portable Receiver Showing Horn Aperture and Dial Controls of Potentiometer, Rheostat and Tuning Condenser



Inside View of Portable Receiver

good instruments that work satisfactorily in any circuit. Here's what you need:

- 1 Suit-case, app. 21x11x6½ ext. diam.
- 3 R. F. iron-core transformers.
- 3 Audio transformers, low ratio.
- 4 C-299 or UV-199 tubes.
- 4 Sockets for the tubes.
- 1 Rheostat, 15 to 20 ohms.
- 1 Potentiometer, 400 ohms.
- 3 Small 22½ volt B batteries.
- 3 Standard dry cells.
- 1 Panel to fit suit-case.
- 1 Phone unit of high quality.
- 1 Small horn for speaker.
- 1 Variable condenser, about 17 plates, (.00035).
- 2 ft. of insulating rod for loop (about ⅝ in. diam.)
- 1 .00025 mfd. grid condenser with grid leak clips.
- 1 2-megohm grid leak.
- Quantity bell wire for connections.
- Dials for above instruments.
- 2 .002 mfd. fixed condensers.
- 1 .001 mfd. fixed condenser.
- (Other fixed condensers; see below).
- One-fourth lb. No. 22 DSC wire.

All of the fixed condensers cannot be definitely specified because of capacity differences between primary and secondary windings of various audio transformers with which they are used as by-pass devices. If you have two of the .00025 mfd. size, an extra .001 mfd., and one .0005 mfd., you will be sufficiently equipped to determine the proper combination.

If your suit-case is at least 19 inches long (inside) the three dry cells will go end to end at the rear. After first constructing the receiver with the batteries at the front, I discovered that results were poor simply because of coupling between the loop and the R. F. transformers and wiring. Hence it was necessary to adopt the assembly shown, which is really better because the loca-

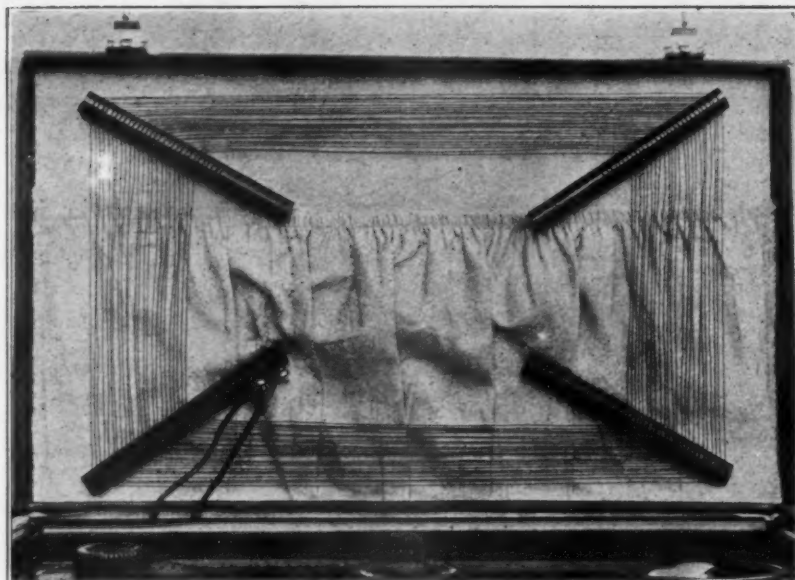
tion of the dry cells at the rear makes the carrying qualities better.

A narrow board serves as the wall of the *A* battery compartment and if necessary, a piece is cut out to clear the potentiometer. The *B* batteries are located across one end, two being placed parallel with the front of the suit-case and the other turned, if necessary, to clear the loud speaker horn. These separator strips are nailed in with small flat-head wire nails from the outside. The heads of these nails may be blackened for concealment. The amplifier itself is separately mounted on a thin board that is held in position with a flat-head wood screw introduced from outside the bag. The wiring is done before this board is put in the case.

The panel lay-out is quite simple. The aperture for the bell of the loud-speaker horn is placed to balance with the large dial for the tuning condenser, but with due regard for clearance within, and also above. Since the phone unit most conveniently comes at about the center of the panel, or the under side, the potentiometer and rheostat are mounted mid-way and on either side of the longitudinal center-line.

The loop must also be considered while the panel is being placed. It will be observed that the "legs" of the loop are so placed that they lie very close to the panel when the cover is closed and at such angles that they do not touch the horn or any of the dials. They are formed of 6 in. lengths of insulating rod, each being fastened by a machine screw passed through from the outside and into a tapped hole at the center of each rod. Moreover, the rods do not extend up into the corners of the cover, for they would then strike the corners of the case itself and prevent closing.

Measuring about 16 by 10 in., the loop shown requires 25 turns of wire to cover the radiocast band from 220 to 570 meters with the condenser suggested.



Loop Construction in Suit-case Cover

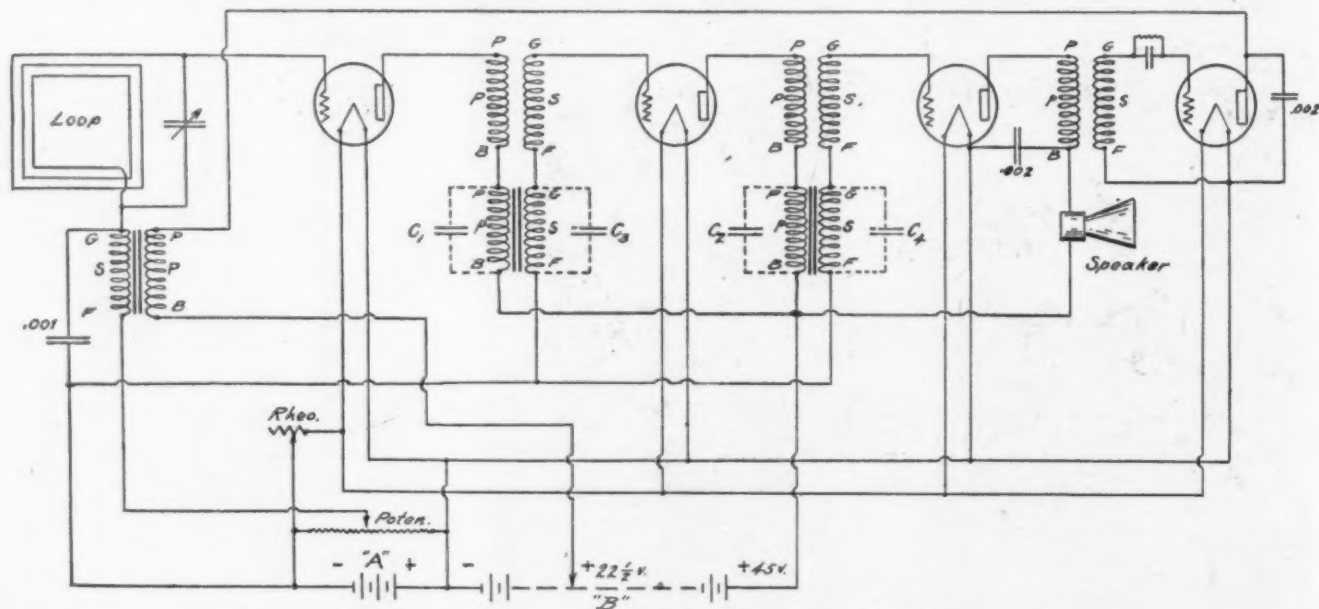
It is well to wind too many turns on the forms and then remove the extras until the condenser just covers the desired wave band nicely. Thirty turns were put on in the first place. The wire used is number 22 DSC and is attached to two binding posts at the lower left. It is held in slanting slots about one-fourth in. deep and one-eighth in. apart.

The circuit diagram shows that the R. F. transformers are connected in accordance with the manufacturers' designations. It is to be observed that the grid return lead from the first tube only goes to the movable contact of the potentiometer—the others running direct to the negative of the *A* battery on the battery side of the rheostat. In case of persistent oscillation even without by-pass condensers on the secondary windings of the second and third audio transformers, it will be necessary to place grid return leads from these transformers on the movable contact also. But this is seldom the case. The first tube oscillates persistently with the full negative bias,

however, simply on account of the lower resistance and sharp tuning of its grid circuit: the loop.

It is best to start off by connecting the audio transformers according to manufacturers' markings with the exception of the third transformer's secondary. This is reversed, as indicated. The "low voltage" or filament side of by-pass condensers may be run to the nearest point on the filament circuit, either to the plus or minus side. It is important to get the grid return ("F") lead from the third R. F. transformer on the plus filament. The by-pass condensers serve to pass radio frequency current across the high impedance windings of the audio transformers and they therefore should be placed so that the radio frequency paths are as short as possible. For instance, by-pass condenser  $C_1$  should run from the *B* post of the first R. F. transformer to one side of the filament; they are shown across the transformer windings to bring out

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Circuit Diagram for Reflexed Triple R. F. and A. F. with Crystal Detector



# Balanced Tuned Circuit Radio Frequency Amplifiers

An Explanation of the Principles of the Neutrodyne and Other Methods of Obviating Oscillations

By C. M. Fansky, Jr.

IN January RADIO we discussed why a radio frequency amplifier using tuned circuits of low resistance will tend to produce strong radio frequency oscillations unless some means is taken to control the regeneration inherent in the system. This regeneration as has been stated is due to the feeding back of voltage through the grid plate capacitance of the tube. Fig. 1 shows such a circuit. We have discussed methods by which this tendency to oscillate can be controlled by deliberately inserting resistance into the radio frequency circuits.

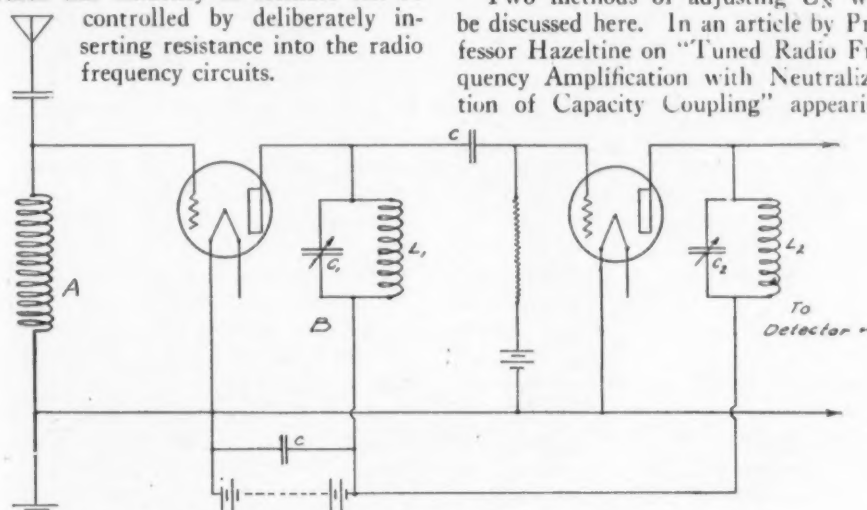


Fig. 1. Theoretical Tuned Circuit Radio Frequency Amplifier

Another method of controlling regeneration is to produce on the grid a voltage which will offset the regeneration effect produced by the voltage across the grid plate capacitance of the tube. Such circuits are often called neutralized or balanced circuits. The trade name neutrodyne is also applied to certain types.

Fig. 2 shows a circuit of this type which is much used in commercial sets. The circuit shows two stages of radio frequency amplification. A complete commercial set would ordinarily require 5 tubes as it would contain in addition a detector and two stages of audio frequency amplification.  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  constitute a radio frequency transformer. Sometimes more turns are put on the secondary than on the primary in an effort to step up the voltage. However, due to leakage flux and losses, it is difficult to build a radio frequency transformer which has a voltage ratio greater than unity. It is essential that the coupling between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  be very close if satisfactory regeneration limitation is to be obtained. The transformer  $L_3$  and  $L_4$  is identical with the one composed of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

The condensers  $C_N$  are connected to

the secondaries of the radio frequency transformers which are wound in such a direction that the radio frequency voltage produced across  $C_N$  will be 180 degrees out of phase with that of the radio frequency voltage across the plate grid capacitance of the tube.  $C_N$  is of very small capacitance and is usually made variable in such a manner that when the correct adjustment is obtained the adjustment can be locked.

Two methods of adjusting  $C_N$  will be discussed here. In an article by Professor Hazeltine on "Tuned Radio Frequency Amplification with Neutralization of Capacity Coupling" appearing

the voltage of the grid with respect to the filament. If the capacitance of the condenser  $C_N$  is increased beyond the point necessary to completely eliminate the incoming signal the voltage induced on the grid will tend to destroy any amplification resulting from the use of a tube.

It is not necessarily desirable to completely neutralize the effect of regeneration as has been described above. Stronger signals will be obtained with the same number of tubes if the capacitance of  $C_N$  is increased only to the point where the amplifier ceases to produce radio frequency oscillations. The regeneration remaining will also tend to increase the selectivity of the system. If too much regeneration remains distortion may result from excessive selectivity or other reasons. The writer is not concerned with the debatable question as to whether or not the manufacture or sale of a radio frequency amplifier in which the effects of regeneration are not completely eliminated is covered by patents which control regeneration but only with questions as to the relative advantages of amplifiers in which regenerative effects are completely eliminated and those in which regenerative effect exists.

The statement has been made that it takes about one and one-half stages of non-regenerative radio frequency amplification to deliver as strong a signal to a detector tube as can be obtained by the use of a regenerative detector circuit connected directly to the aerial. Such a statement is of course only a rough approximation but expresses the fact that if non-regenerative radio frequency amplification is used as a substitute for regeneration, more than one stage must be used if any increase in signal strength is to be expected and then the results may not be what the experimenter might expect from the cost of the additional equipment necessary to add the radio frequency amplification. If, however, the radio frequency circuits are carefully de-

in QST April, 1923 he states:

"The adjustment of each neutralizing capacity is made experimentally by tuning in a strong signal and then turning out the filament of the tube whose capacity is to be adjusted, but leaving the tube in the socket. If the neutralizing capacity is not correct the circuits on each side of the tube will have capacity coupling which will transmit the signal. The neutralizing capacity is then adjusted until the signal disappears."

This method of adjustment was developed by Mr. Harold A. Wheeler. It is quite evident that if a radio frequency amplifier circuit is adjusted by this method no regeneration exists, as radio frequency variations in the voltage of the plate with respect to the filament produce no radio frequency variations of

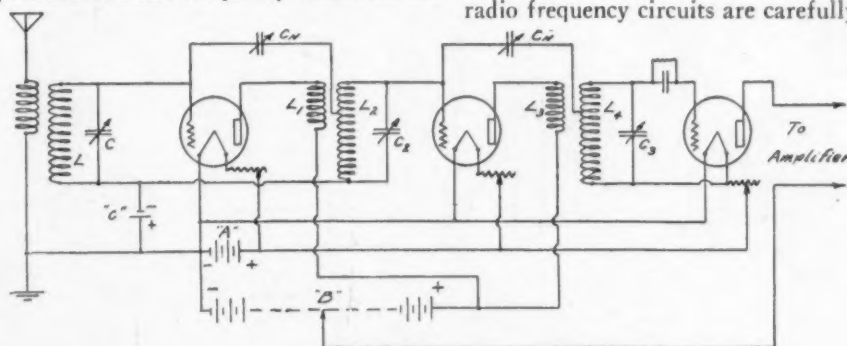


Fig. 2. Circuit Diagram of Neutrodyne Receiver

signed and the limitation of regeneration is carried only to the point where oscillations are not produced there is no reason why a tube detector with one or two stages of radio frequency amplification ahead of it should not deliver a much stronger audio frequency signal than could be obtained by the use only of a regenerative tube detector circuit connected directly to the aerial.

Theoretically, after the neutralizing condensers  $C_N$  are correctly adjusted for the prevention of oscillations for one adjustment of the tuning controls this adjustment should be correct for all adjustments of the tuned circuits providing the tubes in the set are not changed. In practice, however, this is not always the case and it may be found that when the neutralizing condensers are adjusted to the point where oscillations are prevented at a particular tuning adjustment the set will begin to produce oscillations if the tuning adjustment is changed. It would seem therefore that the experimenter thoroughly acquainted with the operation of his set might obtain better results if the setting of the neutralizing condensers could be easily varied. The operator could then control the regeneration in the radio frequency stages at will and operate the receiver at maximum selectivity and sensitivity at all wavelengths. Manufactured sets are usually permanently adjusted at the factory in such a manner that in general radio frequency oscillations will not be produced regardless of the wavelength to which the set is adjusted. This may mean that slightly better amplification is obtained at one wavelength than at others.

It will be seen by reference to Fig. 2 that a tuned radio frequency amplifier having two stages of radio frequency amplification has three tuned circuits

and three tuning controls. For the reception of distant stations all three of these circuits must be tuned to the wavelength to be received. Until the operator has made a chart showing the three settings which must be used to adjust the set for any particular station the adjustment of the three circuits to the same wavelength is rather difficult. After such a chart has been made, however, it is a simple matter to find any station by referring to the chart and adjusting the set accordingly.

The original calibration of a three-dial set is best accomplished on a night when static or induction disturbances are fairly strong. When the dials are so adjusted that the noises resulting from static or induction are loudest the three tuned circuits are adjusted to the same wavelength. By varying one of the dials a little at a time and then adjusting the other two until the noises again are at a maximum, the entire wave band covered by the receiver can be searched and all stations in operation giving a sufficiently loud signal to be heard can be logged for future reference.

It is common practice to use from 90 to 120 volts on the plates of both the audio and radio frequency stages of a set using tuned radio frequency such as is shown in Fig. 2. Unless a correct negative bias is used with amplifiers operating at such high plate voltages heavy plate currents will flow and grid circuit losses will result due to the flow of current to the grids when they are positive with respect to the filament. The flow of grid current may not be important in the radio frequency stages where the alternating currents and voltages are relatively small, but will cause distortion and loss of efficiency in the audio frequency stages. Distortion will also result due to the fact that the tube is not operated on the central portion of the characteristic

curve. The writer is moved to mention the fact as but few manufacturers and experimenters appear to recognize the importance of a correct negative bias when high plate voltages are used, and many sets do not provide for any negative voltage on the grids of the amplifier tubes. (A complete discussion of the theory of the use of a tube as an amplifier which discussed this point in detail was given in an article by the author appearing in RADIO for August, 1924).

Fig. 3 shows a very satisfactory comparatively simple three-tube receiving set using one stage of radio frequency amplification, a tube detector and one stage of audio frequency amplification. If loud speaker reproduction is desired additional stages of audio frequency amplification can be added. Certain features of this circuit are worthy of note. Only two tuning controls are used which makes the set somewhat easier to tune than the one shown in Fig. 2. A negative bias is used on the radio frequency amplifier tube for the reasons just brought out. The same  $C$  battery can be used for the audio and radio frequency amplifier tubes if desired.

Instead of building a radio frequency transformer using two closely coupled coils to provide a means of feeding back voltage to the grid which will limit regeneration, use is made of auto transformer action in a single coil. Exact physical dimensions of this coil  $L_2$  will depend upon the wavelength band it is desired to cover. Approximately 60 turns on a 3 in. tube are suggested for use with the average condenser for radio-cast waves. Approximately one-sixth the total number of turns should be included between the base of the coil and the  $B$  battery tap and another sixth between the  $B$  battery tap and the tap which goes to the plate of the radio

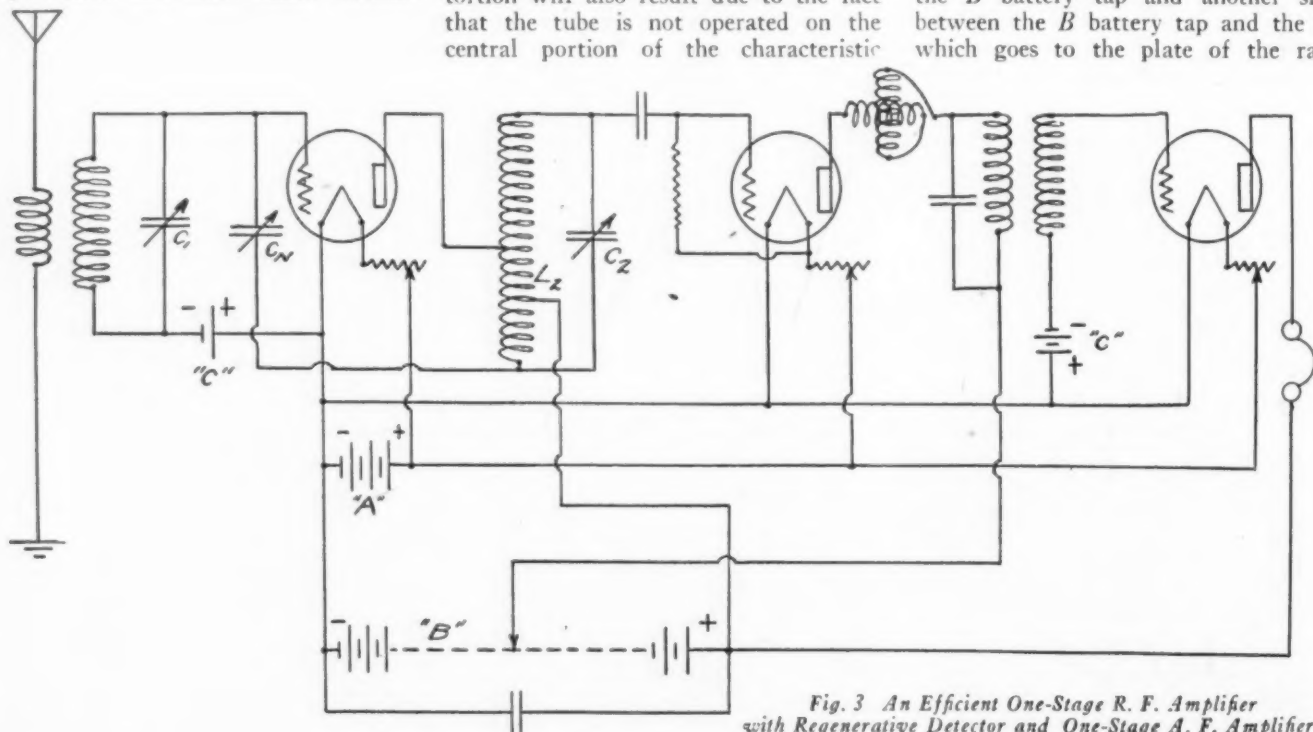


Fig. 3 An Efficient One-Stage R. F. Amplifier with Regenerative Detector and One-Stage A. F. Amplifier



frequency amplifier tube. The neutralizing or regeneration limiting condenser  $C_N$  is connected to the base of this coil. It is necessary to connect the grid leak directly to the positive side of the detector tube filament. If it were across the grid condenser as is common practice the full voltage of the  $B$  battery would be applied to the grid of the detector. It is also necessary to use a grid condenser capable of standing this  $B$  battery voltage without leakage.

Regeneration is provided in the detector circuit by the insertion of the variometer  $V$ . A tickler coil in the plate circuit of the detector tube coupled to  $L_2$  might be used in place of the variometer for the same purpose. Regeneration in the radio frequency amplifier circuit can be controlled by varying the capacitance of the small condenser  $C_N$ . As has been explained, however, but little of this adjustment is necessary beyond that originally made to prevent the production of oscillations or completely eliminate regeneration.

A valuable feature of a set which provides for regeneration in the detector circuit is the fact that the regeneration can be carried to the point where oscillations are produced and the beat note which results when the circuit  $LC_2$  is tuned to a frequency near that of an incoming signal may be used as a means of tuning for weak signals. As the oscil-

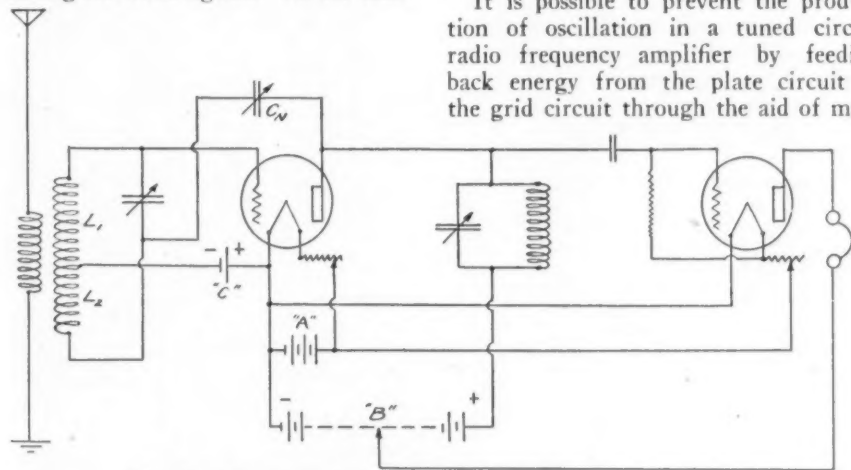


Fig. 4. Wheatstone Bridge Balanced R. F. Amplifier Circuit

lations produced in the set are not produced in a circuit coupled to the antenna, the receiver does not radiate and thereby cause objectionable disturbance to nearby listeners. The setting of the dial controlling  $C_2$  at which its circuit is tuned to various stations can be logged on a chart and this chart used for future reference. The variometer method of regeneration in the detector circuit is recommended because in general the effect of the variation of regeneration by this method on the tuning of the detector circuit will not be great. A circuit similar to the one just described has been used with very satisfactory results in sets designed for the United States Signal Corps by the Radio Laboratories at Camp Alfred Vail.

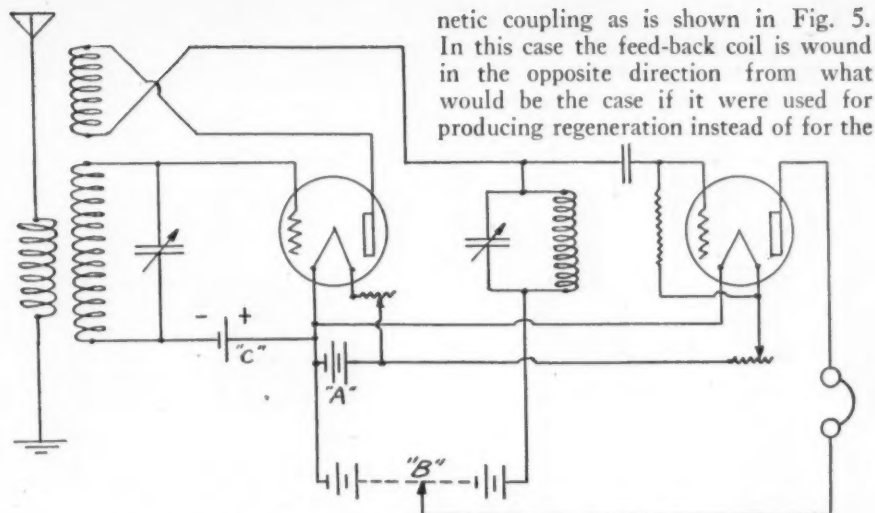


Fig. 5. Limitation of Regeneration with Reverse Feedback Coil.

Fig. 4 shows a somewhat different method of preventing the production of oscillations in radio frequency amplifier. Coupling between the aerial coil and  $L_1 L_2$  is made very close and the aerial circuit instead of the tube circuit is tuned. This is sometimes known as the Rice circuit. Control of regeneration or neutralization, if the reader chooses to call it, is obtained by varying the condenser  $C_N$ . The writer has never had first-hand experience with a circuit of this type so cannot give information as to its merit.

It is possible to prevent the production of oscillation in a tuned circuit radio frequency amplifier by feeding back energy from the plate circuit to the grid circuit through the aid of mag-

netic coupling as is shown in Fig. 5. In this case the feed-back coil is wound in the opposite direction from what would be the case if it were used for producing regeneration instead of for the

purpose of offsetting the effect of regeneration already inherent in the system due to grid plate capacitance in the tube. If oscillations are produced due to this capacitance the coupling between the feed-back coil and the grid circuit coil is increased until the effect of the energy fed back to the grid circuit in this manner sufficiently offsets the regenerative effect produced by the energy fed back through the grid plate capacitance to enable stable operation of the system as an amplifier. The reverse feed-back coil is sometimes called a stabilizer. One objection to this type of circuit is the fact that a new adjustment of the reverse feed-back coil is necessary for every change in wavelength of the set. For this reason it is not feasible to use more than one stage of radio frequency amplification. However, very excellent results can be obtained with circuits of this type as the beneficial effects of regeneration are taken advantage of in the radio frequency circuit. The tuning of the circuit coupled to the aerial will change to some extent with the adjustment of the feed-back coil but it should be possible to calibrate the tuned circuit  $CL_2$  and in this manner easily locate stations after they have once been logged. A commercial set using the principles just suggested is now on the market.

Fig. 6 shows a somewhat different type of circuit in which the plate circuit of the radio frequency amplifier is not tuned but contains a continuously variable in-

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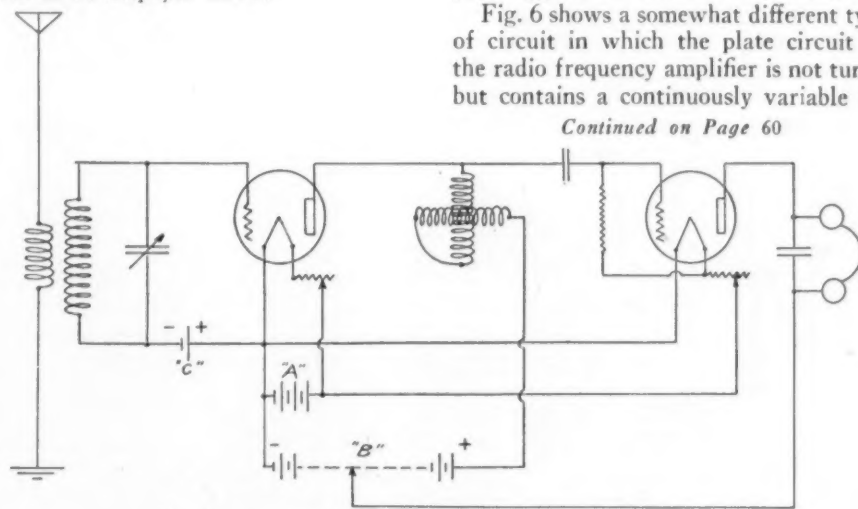


Fig. 6. Regenerative Variometer-Coupled R. F. Amplifier

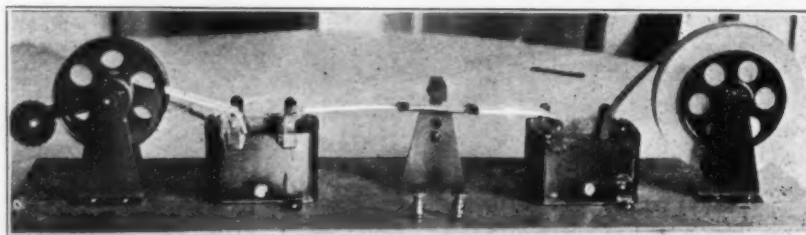
# An Inexpensive High-Speed Chemical Code Recorder

By Harry W. Minnermann

FEW radio experimenters are able to avoid that spell of code recording that usually comes in the second or third year. It is natural, of course, that true experimenters should eventually be seized with a desire to put the dots and dashes down on a tape just for the pure fun of doing it. To do this efficiently and rapidly usually requires more time, money and research work than the average fan can afford and precious few have succeeded in assembling practical apparatus for this purpose.

A simple chemical recorder can be assembled with tin cans and bits of junk at a maximum cost of \$1.50.

The action of the device is based upon potassium iodide (KI). This usually comes in small, white crystals that readily dissolve in water, forming a perfectly colorless solution. If a piece of paper is dipped in this solution and brought in contact with the leads from a single old dry cell, a sepia line due to the liberation of free iodine, will be left on the paper when the positive wire is



The Completed Code Recorder

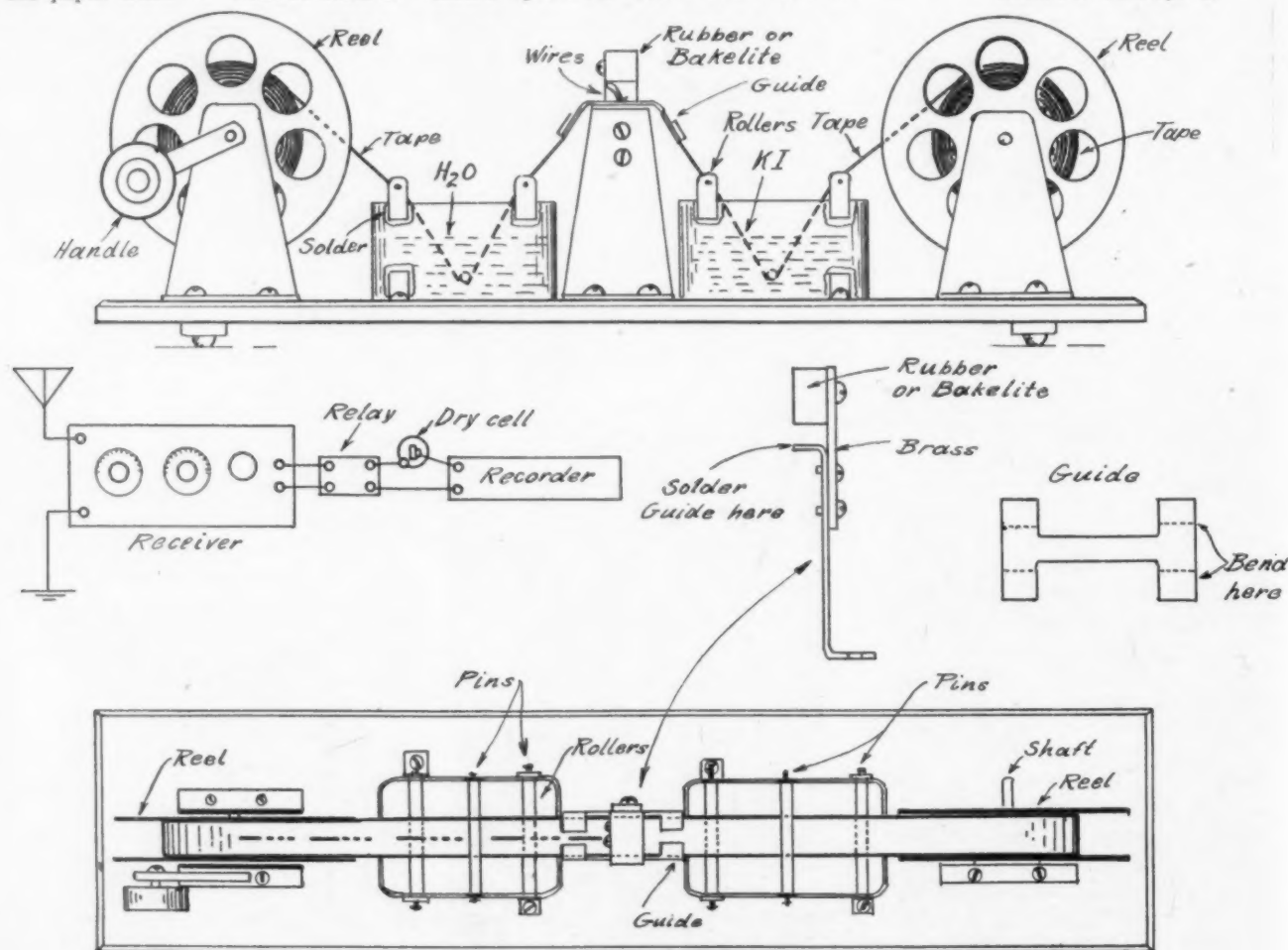
drawn across it. Of course, the negative wire must be held in contact with the paper at the same time. So sensitive is this chemical to the passage of an electric current that a few milliamperes are sufficient to leave a distinct record of the points passed by the wire.

The writer was probably fortunate in having the metal reels available in his junk pile. These measure about 4 in. across and are wide enough to carry the standard ticker tape used in brokerage offices. Of course, it would be an easy matter of cut out three brass discs from 32-in. stock and make up the reels. A thread spool cut down will serve for

the hub. The holes in the discs are totally unnecessary and may be dispensed with.

The standards carrying the metal reels are cut from 1/16th in. stock, for it is evident that they must be strong enough to carry a full reel without bending. This would throw the tape out of alignment and render the entire device inoperative. Examination of the drawing will show that only three of the reel standards are needed. The reel from which the tape is fed must be taken off for refilling occasionally. A single standard with a brass shaft fixed

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Constructional Details of Code Recorder



# A Second Step of Radio Frequency for the Two Tube Reflex

A Simple Means for Satisfying the Urge for DX by Improving Its Selectivity and Sensitivity

By E. C. Nichols

THE two-tube reflex is all that can be wished for in reception of local stations, but is lacking in selectivity for distance and requires a silent night for any sort of DX demonstration. The addition of a third tube will solve this difficulty.

A little experimenting with the various circuits will reveal the following facts:

First: A third stage of audio will give greater volume, less quality and no increase in selectivity or sensitivity.

Second: The addition of a tube detector will increase the sensitivity and volume at the sacrifice of quality and stability with very little increase in selectivity.

Third: The addition of a second stage of radio frequency will give the desired combination of selectivity, sensitivity, quality and volume for both local and long distance stations. The addition of this third control does not add any great difficulty in tuning as the third dial is not critical. The tendency toward self oscillation is removed by applying the method of counterbalancing the internal capacity of the tube, invented by C. W. Rice of the Western Electric Company.

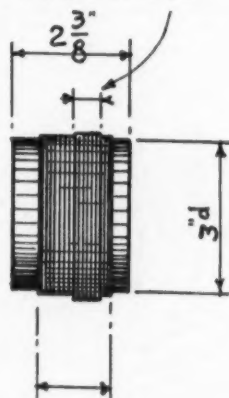
Having found the addition of a second stage of radio frequency the most desirable, the next consideration will be the selection of parts. A receiver located near radiocast stations should use the lower ratio audio transformers to insure good quality, because of the stronger initial signal received. These

ratios should be 3 to 1 in both stages. A receiver located some distance from any source could use two 5 to 1 or 6 to 1 transformers. A higher ratio is not advisable. The logic of this will be apparent when we consider the relationship of strength of signal received to volume delivered by receiver.

The condensers can be the usual .0005 mfd. (23 plate) or the .000375 mfd. (17 plate). The coils can be made or purchased and modified as required. The counterbalancing condenser should not exceed .00005 mfd. with a very low minimum. A vernier condenser is not

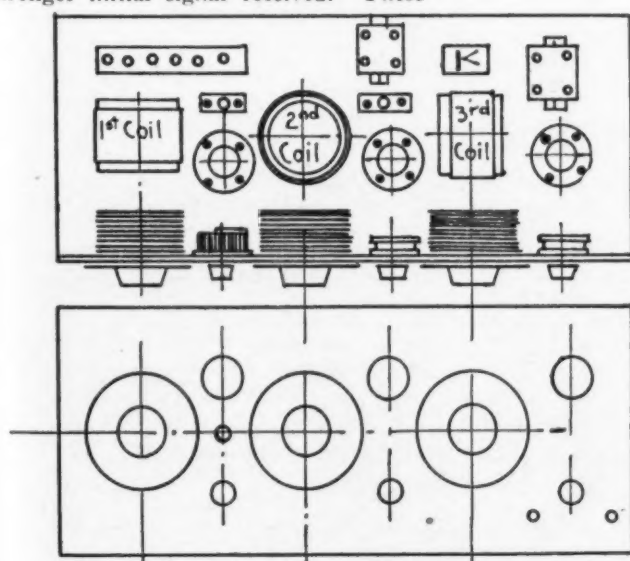
Primary 15 turns 12 ft.

#24 D5C or 5CC



Secondary 55 turns 44 ft

24D5C or 5CC  
Standard Coil Dimensions



Panel 7 x 21"

Front and Back Panel Mounting

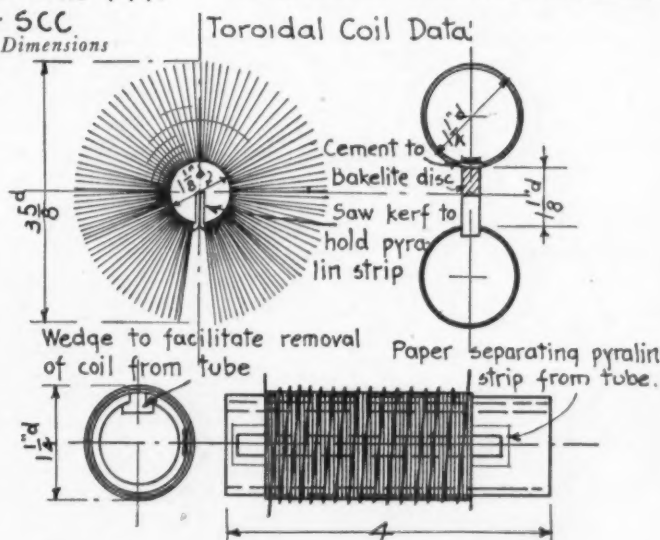
desirable. The selection of the remaining parts requires no special note.

Each of the three coils should be wound on 3-in. diameter tubing with 15 turns on the primary and 55 turns on the secondary of No. 24 silk or cotton covered wire. Two of the coils are tapped at the center of the secondary winding. The primary may be wound directly over the secondary with thin silk or paper between the two windings. The coils are placed in the set at right angles as shown in diagram.

As a suggestion to those experimentally inclined, the toroidal coil should pay them for their efforts since, in this coil, all inductive effect between the coils is removed, permitting greater amplification. A diagram is shown giving general dimensions for manufacture. It is interesting to note that this coil has the added advantage of low internal capacity, comparing favorably with the low capacity coils on the market.

The construction of the set can be carried out by the step method. All wiring should be temporary, silk or cotton covered wire, excepting the filament circuit, which may be permanent. The final wiring can be done after the set has been tested and arranged.

The reflexed tube will be the first to wire and test, for which test the antenna and ground are connected to the primary



Secondary 205 turns 67 ft #28 D5C or 5CC  
Primary 20 ft. #28 D5C or 5CC to extend over entire length of secondary.  
Primary + secondary are cemented to pyralin strip with collodion.

Toroidal Coil Dimensions

of coil No. 2 and the phones in place of the primary of the second audio transformer. In testing this step, if there is a tendency toward self oscillation, reverse the primary connection on the last coil. There have been numerous complaints that the two-tube reflex has a tendency to oscillate. The above adjustment is a sure cure. The counterbalancing condenser may be omitted, but in this case of adding the third tube, its presence insures no self oscillation.

In the next step add the second stage of audio in the usual way. Try a .005 mfd. fixed condenser on the primary of the audio transformer for increased volume. A .00025 condenser on the secondary is not necessary except in the necessity of improving the quality.

The final step is the adding of the first step of radio frequency. The most important adjustment here is that of the counterbalancing condenser. This adjustment, however, is simplicity itself, and not as critical as the same adjustment in the neutrodyne circuits. Here the capacity of the counterbalancing condenser is increased until all tendency toward self oscillation is removed. The counterbalancing condenser should be carefully tested for a possible short circuit, as a short-circuited *B* battery would result. It should be stated that the counterbalancing condenser is also a help in selectivity. A test with it and without it will demonstrate this. The *C* battery connected with the potentiometer as shown in the diagram, insures the proper grid bias on the first tube, better quality on local reception, and helps in getting distant stations.

The antenna arrangement of fixed condensers and point switch can be used or not as desired. This arrangement is a great help in selectivity, and the long antenna in combination with it has all

the advantage over a short antenna. A variable 23-plate condenser can be used in place of this arrangement. The fixed condensers on the *C* battery and potentiometer, and on the *B* battery, are used as a pass-by and are for greater efficiency.

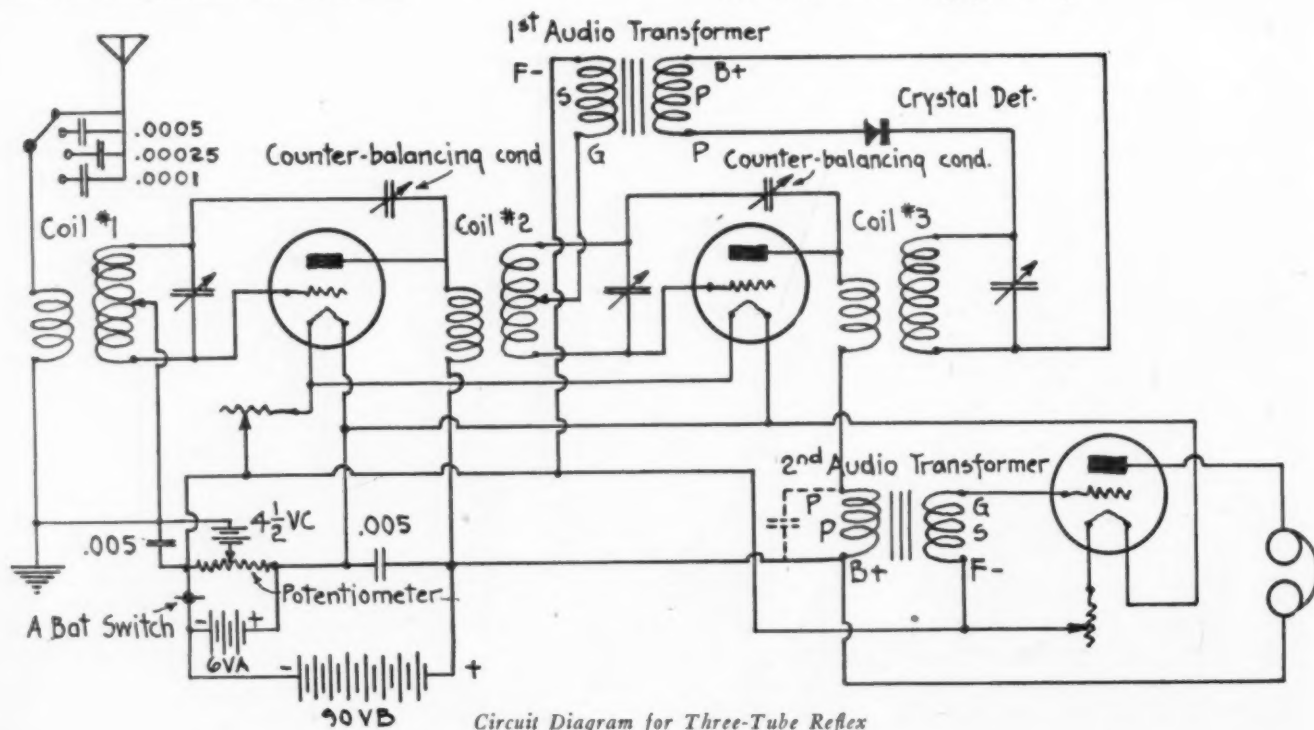
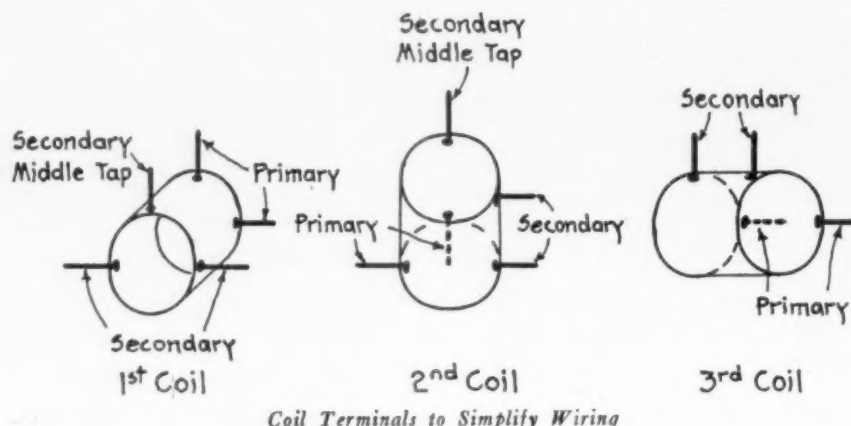
In Pasadena, probably one of the poorest locations in California for long-distance reception, this receiver has brought in stations in Chicago, Calgary, Canada; Chihuahua, Mexico, etc., with four 500-watt local stations on the air. The receiver will tune within ten meters of local stations in this long-distance work.

The list of parts is as follows:

- |                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1 Front panel 7 by 21 in.           | 6 Binding posts   |
| 1 Baseboard 9 by 21 3/4 in.         | 1 Pc. bakelite, 1 by 6 by 1/4 in.                                   |
| 1 Filament snap switch.             | 3 Pcs. 3 in. diam. tubing 2 1/2 in. long                            |
| 1 400 ohm potentiometer.            | 1 Crystal detector  |
| 3 Sockets.                          | 2 Counterbalancing condensers                                       |
| 2 Rheostats.                        | 1 4 1/2 volt <i>C</i> battery                                       |
| 2 Audio Transformers.               | 1 Point switch and 4 points.  |
| 3 17 or 23 plate condensers.        | Fixed condensers, dials and miscellaneous small parts as described. |
| 2 Single Jacks.                     |   |
| 1/4 lb. No. 24 D. S. C. or S. C. C. |   |

Powerful radio transmitting equipment is being installed in a new laboratory being built by the General Electric Co. six miles south of Schenectady. This will be devoted to a study of means for improving transmission quality and reliability and to tests on static and fading. The transmitters will have a maximum power of 100 kw. with plate supply as high as 30,000 volts d. c. The antenna structures include three towers 300 ft. high arranged in the form of a triangle. From these steel masts almost any type of antenna may be strung capable of operation between 600 and 3,000 meters. A fourth steel tower, 150 ft. high, may be connected to any of the trio of masts for work on wavelengths from 200 to 600 meters. In addition to the steel towers there are numerous wooden masts for antenna systems for experimentation on wavelengths from 15 to 200 meters.

In using small tubes, such as the 199 types, use the best voltmeter you can get. Some cheap voltmeters draw as much as 0.05 amps., on 4 or 5 volt full scale reading, and this is as much, nearly as one of the tubes themselves draw.



Circuit Diagram for Three-Tube Reflex





"Jimmy Assumed a Dramatic Pose."

## A Kiss in the Dark

By Oliver B. Scott

"JAMES, if you don't stop making a nuisance of yourself and leave us alone, I'm going to tell Dad about that awful gang of boys you've been running around with, when you were supposed to be in bed."

"Aw, Sis, —"

"Never mind, now—you run along and leave Clarence and me alone."

Jimmy Watson shuffled out of the back door, grumbling to himself about having a sister who always had a "sweetie" come to see her whenever he wanted to experiment with the family receiver.

"Just the night when the local stuff is off," he sputtered, "and I can try for Chicago, here she goes an' makes me get out so's she can get mushy with that skinny high school sheik. Doggonit, I wish I could get sump'n on her so's she wouldn't boss me 'round all the time."

The stars twinkled merrily on little Jimmy as he trudged along the lawn to the sidewalk. A cool evening breeze stirred the leaves about him on the grass.

"The best night in the world for getting DX," he mused. "Guess I'll go over to Willie's and see if he's going to do anything tonight. Gee, Willie's a lucky guy. His folks let him monkey with their set any time he wants to."

Jimmie swung off the street and across a vacant lot in the direction of Willie Smith's. In a few minutes he was in the Smith's parlor, watching Willie majestically spin the dials of the big neutrodyne.

"Just put a C battery in the set this afternoon," announced Willie. "She's got an awful wallop now, Jimmie, an' it don't pull the B batt. down a bit more, either."

Mr. and Mrs. Smith looked at each other with a nod of parental satisfaction.

"That'd be sump'n good to tell the boys at the next meeting of the Radio Club," said Jimmy.

"Oh, I've got sump'n lots better'n that," replied Willie. "C'mon in my room and I'll tell you about it."

Closing the door behind them, the

boys threw themselves on the bed, sprawled out on their stomachs and kicked their feet in the air.

"I thought I'd tell the fellers about how to talk into a set and make the sound come out of the loudspeaker," announced Willie.

"How's that," queried Jimmy.

"Well, y' hook your receiver, or a telephone transmitter, or a microphone to the primary of your first audio frequency transformer, and when you talk into it y' can hear it through the horn."

"Gee, that'd be great."

"Yea, y' could make 'em think y' had Chicago, just by talkin' into it."

"Um hum." Jimmy was thinking hard.

"I'm goin' to play it on the folks some night pretty soon, so don't tell nobody," cautioned Willie.

"Naw, I won't," answered Jimmy.

"Say, I got an idea how we can raise some jack for the Radio Club. We'll get a bunch together an'—"

Before Jimmy was half through ex-

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# Experimenting With a Loop

An Account of Numerous Experiments and Adaptations Tending  
To Improve Reception

By Harry A. Nickerson

MANY radio fans get "loop fever" and seek to add a loop to a set intended for use only with an outdoor antenna. The results are usually discouraging. Principally this is because the loop is responsive mainly to but one of the two components of the radiocast wave,—namely, the "magnetic." The loop is but slightly affected by the electrostatic force which strongly affects the outdoor antenna of the usual type.

Trial of the loop as an antenna, even with sets not adapted to it, may be made by attaching either one or both ends of the loop wire to the antenna post of the set. The results will not equal those of a short length of indoor antenna, but if the set is fairly sensitive, local stations and semi-distant ones may be heard with fair volume.



Fig. 1. Attaching Loop as Antenna to Ordinary Set

It is usually preferable to use the loop both as "tuning coil" and "pick-up" coil, omitting the usual "tuning coil" in the set. Since the pick-up of the loop increases with its size, providing the proper tuning range is secured, it pays to use the turns of the loop to provide all the tuning inductance necessary.

It seems to be standard practice to "tune" a loop with a shunted .0005 mfd. variable condenser. Other capacities may be used. It is helpful to remember in such cases that *where the capacity of the condenser is halved, the maximum wave length under the new conditions is about 71 per cent of the former maximum.* If both condensers are of the same make and style, of course the *minimum* wave length is decreased when the number of plates is lessened.

Whatever condenser value is used, convenience demands that a wave length of at least 220 to 550 metres be covered. The following data from a pamphlet published by Acme Apparatus Co. of Cambridge, Mass., are valuable. Note that spacing of turns increases with increased size of loop.

Dimensions for Spirally-Wound Square Loop, Tuning 225-550 Meters with .0005 Mfd. Shunted Condenser

(Inductance approx. .16 m. h. with No. 18 wire).

No. of Turns	Spacing Between Turns	Diagonal of Square Made by Outside Turn
11	1 25/64 in.	66 in.
12	1 in.	52 in.
13	3/4 in.	43 in.
14	9/16 in.	35 in.
15	29/64 in.	30 in.
16	3/8 in.	26 13/16 in.
17	9/32 in.	21 1/2 in.

It will be apparent that the "pick-up" of the 3-foot "box-type" or loop is greater than the "spiral" wound 3-foot type. In the spiral type, the inner turns are very considerably less in diameter than the outer ones, while in the box type, all the turns have the same diameter. But owing to the greater ease of construction of the spiral type and the fact that it occupies less space, this type seems to be in more general use. By making its frame somewhat more than 3 feet its "pick-up" may be brought up to that of the box type.

The first thing noted by loop users will probably be that the loop is not as directional as its advocates describe it. It will give a very strong signal on a certain station not only when the plane or edge of the loop points toward that station but also when the plane is turned considerably away from that station. But the minimum signal strength is sharply defined when the plane of the loop is at right angles to the station heard. Fortunate is he who lives at such a position with respect to strong local stations that he may point the plane of the loop at right angles to the locals in order to hear the distant stations.

The use of several stages of radio frequency amplification or of the neighbor-annoying super-regenerative set seems necessary for satisfactory loop reception. Occasions, however, are frequent, where dwellers in buildings with walls sheathed in metal have been forced to use an outdoor antenna owing to the fact that the magnetic component of the wave is absorbed by the metal. Using the loop in front of a window then offers about the only way out of a difficulty.

If one has a good multistage radio frequency set, using a loop as a tuning inductance, a 50-turn honey-comb coil may be shunted across the usual loop terminals. If the loop is disconnected and is placed fairly close to the honeycomb and with its plane parallel to that of the coil,

there will be sufficient "loose coupling" so that the set will function surprisingly well. It is mystifying to the uninitiated to see the set operate with only a honey-comb for an antenna.

The loop may be used as a secondary with an untuned primary added in several ways: e. g.:

1. By winding a few turns on the usual loop frame but inside the outer loop turns, connecting one end of the new winding to antenna and the other end to ground.

2. By winding a few turns in the slots of the loop frame, just over the usual loop turns and connecting one end to antenna and other to ground.

3. By using a small loop as the secondary and a large one for the primary, the small loop being connected to antenna and ground.

4. By connecting the outdoor antenna to the middle of the usual loop winding and connecting ground to one end of loop winding.

5. By connecting one or two turns of the loop next to one end, to the antenna, and loop end turn nearest, to the ground.

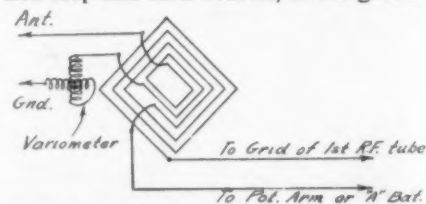


Fig. 2. Variometer Tuning of "Untuned Primary" on Loop

The "untuned" primary may be tuned to make better selectivity and volume at the expense of an additional control by the addition of a variometer or a condenser in the untuned primary circuit. The variometer should be in series and the condenser tried both ways, in series and in shunt. Fig. 2 and 3.

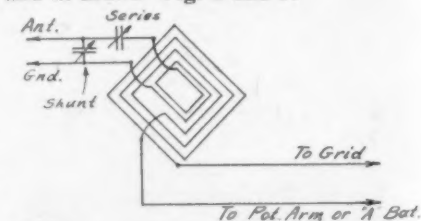


Fig. 3. Condenser Tuning of "Untuned Primary" on Loop

Grounding one terminal of the loop itself (usually that terminal which does not eventually connect direct to the "grid" of the tube socket) generally re-

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# An Improved Loop Antenna

Intended for Use With Rounds No. 16 Circuit  
But Adaptable to Other Circuits

By A. H. Vance

THE writer has been a persistent user of Rounds 16 circuit for the past two years, and has been able to obtain some remarkable results. This circuit, however, as shown in Fig. 1, has a very serious fault of radiating, which would make it taboo in any city at the present time. The tube acts as a radio frequency amplifier and oscillator and detection is accomplished by means of a crystal. Two or three stages of audio frequency amplification may be used to secure the desired volume.

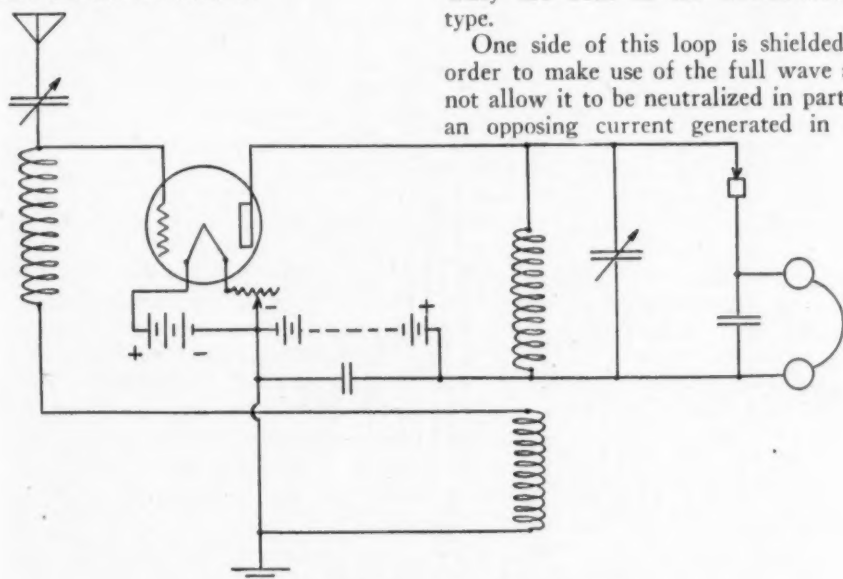


Fig. 1. Rounds No. 16 Circuit Diagram

While this circuit is very selective, very consistent, and good for long distance reception when properly tuned, all the stations in the United States can be received at the same time when it is not tuned properly. A little experience in operating the set will work wonders in the results obtained.

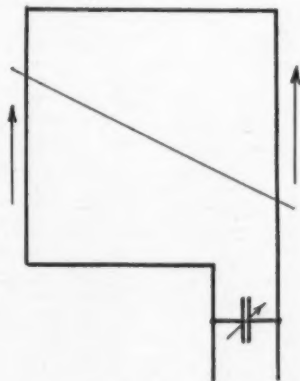
The set is a persistent oscillator and would not be tolerated by the neighbors if it was used on an outside aerial. It must oscillate in order to work properly. The oscillations must be weak and in tune with the incoming signal. If they are too strong or are out of tune the voice becomes mushy. The selectivity is also destroyed.

The fact that the Round circuit uses only one stage of radio frequency has heretofore made it practically impossible to operate it on the present type of loop antenna. Now that a new and very efficient type of loop is available this circuit can now be used in crowded localities without causing trouble from radiation. This new loop was designed by the

writer, following directions given by Mr. Paul W. Pettet, an instructor of practical electricity in Chicago. In theory this loop makes use of the known facts in regard to wave forms and also makes use of some new theories or radio communication as formulated by Mr. Pettet.

This loop can be made in a variety of different shapes. Only two of these will be described here, one of them being remarkably efficient, the other not quite so efficient but possessing other advantages. They are both of the non-directional type.

One side of this loop is shielded in order to make use of the full wave and not allow it to be neutralized in part by an opposing current generated in the



(a)

other side of the loop. An examination of Fig. 2 will make this clear. At (a) is shown the wave effect on the standard type of loop. It will be seen that the current induced in one side of the loop is almost immediately opposed by a current induced in an opposing direction in the other side. The amount of energy received in a loop depends on the decrement of the wave and also on the wave

length. A sharp wave would give a greater phase difference to act on the opposing sides of the loop. A broad wave will give a small phase difference. Fig. 2 (b) will help to make this point clear.

If it were practicable to make the loop of a size to correspond to the wave length, that is 180 meters on each side when it is desired to receive a 360-meter wave, then the maximum energy could be absorbed by the loop. As a loop of anywhere near this size is impracticable, the slight phase difference must be used.

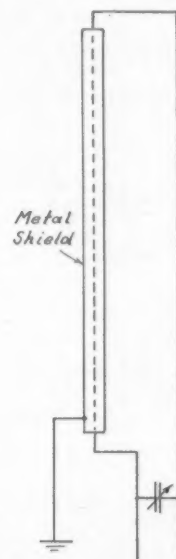


Fig. 3. Form of Single-Wire Loop

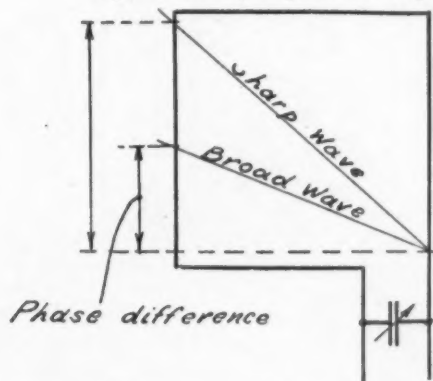


Fig. 2. Theory of Loop (b)

In the loop shown in Fig. 3 this opposing current is wiped out by means of a shield which is connected to the ground and in this way carries any opposing current to the ground. The wires on one side of the loop are passed through a metal tube which constitutes the shield. This tube may be of any good conducting material such as brass, copper, or

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# A Low-Loss, Low-Wave Helix

By G. F. Lampkin, 8ALK

THE new short-wave regulations opened many fields for the amateurs; both in the design and construction of new apparatus and in the results possible with it. There is no fundamental difference between the short-wave apparatus and that used on the longer waves. It is mainly a question of size, and of keeping losses low that are not of great importance on the higher waves. No originality can be claimed in the design of the helix shown below—the object is to save the builder the time in figuring out and drawing up the details.

A helix for short waves should be small in diameter, to allow an easy and accurate adjustment of the clips. It should have an absolute minimum of supporting dielectric in its field, consistent with mechanical strength. As inductive coupling is required under the regulations, provision must be made for an antenna coil, with variable coupling to the primary.

The helix is wound of 19 ft. of No. 5 bare, soft-drawn, copper. It is wrapped by hand on a  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. form, putting on the turns side by side and as smooth as possible. When finished and slipped off, it will spring out to a diam-

eter of about  $3\frac{3}{8}$  in. The coil should be cut at the 12th turn to leave a primary of 12 turns, and a secondary of 6 turns. The ends of each coil should be grasped and pulled out until the spacing between the turns is approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  in.

The supporting material is hard rubber. The details of the separators and bases are shown. When the separators are cut and drilled, they are threaded on to the coil turns. The ends of the coils should be cut so that they overlap an inch; then the separator with the extra hole can secure both ends of the coil. The slots on the supports for the coils are slipped over the separators at the proper points, and the two pieces glued together.

The rod on which the antenna coil moves is of glass,  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. in diameter. Gauge glass, or even a glass towel bar with the ends cut off, can be made to do; of course, the size of the support holes must be changed to fit. Wood is used for the rod support, for a better mechanical job can be done with it than with hard rubber.

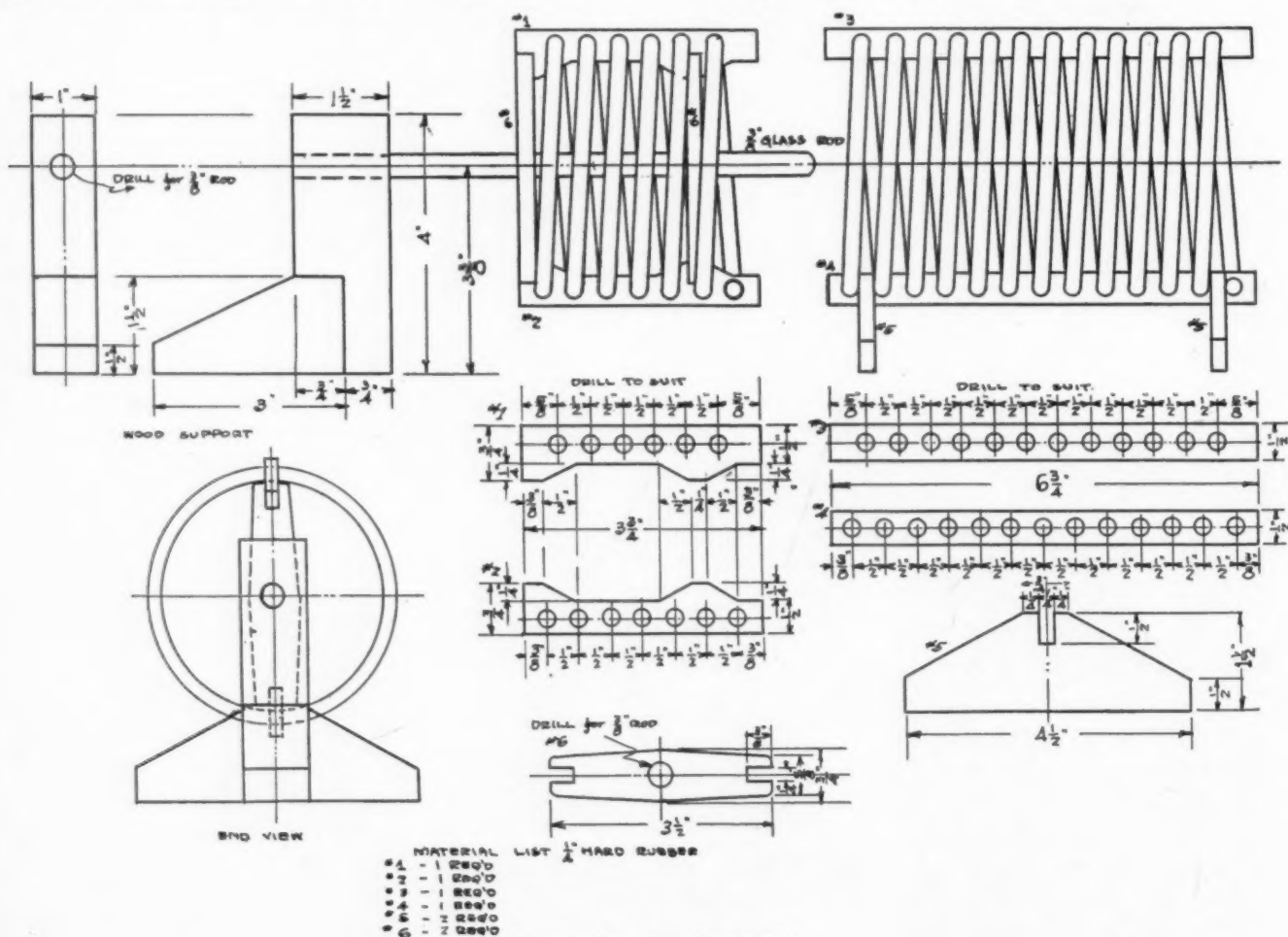
The coils have a minimum of dielectric in their fields, but are still amply rigid.

The size,  $3\frac{3}{8}$  in., is easily small enough, compared with the usual 6 to 8 in. diameter. A high-grade, low-loss, receiving condenser, with evenly spaced plates, can be used as a primary condenser. With a .0005 condenser, all the bands from 20 to 180 meters can be covered.

Don't blame your loudspeaker entirely when you get blaring on loud signals. Remember that this may be due to the signal being so strong that it causes a sort of temporary paralysis of the audio frequency tube, or tubes, by putting so large a charge on the grids that the plate current is stopped entirely for a moment. This is called "overloading."

Poor mica in condensers should be avoided, as it may contain mineral salts that entirely destroy its insulating value.

Binding posts on a set should preferably be mounted so that the terminals of high potential difference are well away from each other, as otherwise moisture and dust may collect and form a partial short circuit, which will reduce the signal strength.





# Automatic Radio Telegraphic Relaying

The Theory and Practice of a Simple and Effective Means for Land Use

By Jack Bront

**A**TTEMPTS at automatic retransmission have long centered about the manipulation of mechanical relays in telegraphic radio signalling or else diverted to expensive and complicated cascade arrangements of apparatus. The commercial relay, for dependable operation, may usually require from 6 to as high as 20 milliamperes for general work. In addition, automatic retransmissions usually require two carefully calculated waves, one for reception and one for retransmission.

In the system described here, the automatic relaying apparatus functions on exactly the same wave as that of the original and distant transmitter. It has been used practically and represents an interesting departure from mechanical relays, and land retransmission.

When a regenerative receiver is adjusted to a point just on the verge of oscillation, there is an enormous increase in received signal audibility—since the feed back effect tends to reduce the circuit resistance to zero and boost the incoming feeble impulses. However, when adjusted to a point very near where oscillations begin, the system is in very unstable condition. If a slightly higher signal energy is applied, the circuit breaks into violent oscillation, and if constants are of certain relative values, the oscillations will persist in all likelihood even though the regeneration feed back is adjusted "back" of that point where oscillations first occurred.

Yet, if the receiver is so adjusted to the point where oscillations are ready to occur, and electrical (or mechanical) means are employed to rapidly connect and disrupt the local energy supply, and these variations be accomplished at a super audible frequency,—the incoming signal, with its local component varied in the regenerative process at a super-audible rate, will be greatly amplified due to the regenerative effect encountered at the near oscillating point,—though at the same time actual oscillation is prevented by the local interruptor. Since the variation rate of the interruptor is correspondent with inaudible frequencies, little or no audible variation tones will be recorded in the phones. A similar process is encountered in the super-regenerative receiver.

A tube transmitter, as in Fig. 1, may be compared with a regenerative receiver of like form but with greatly enlarged components and power. The same appar-

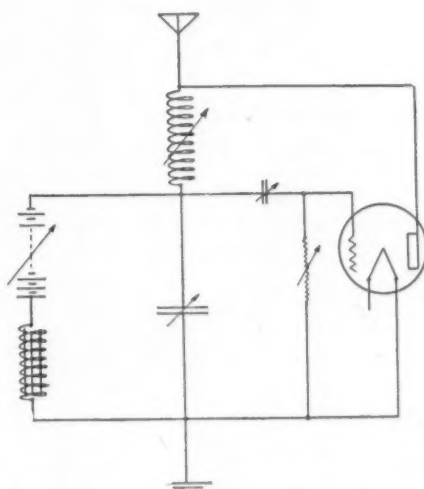


Fig. 1. Circuit Diagram for Tube Transmitter

atus may be employed as a receiver if recording devices are inserted in the plate circuit.

Regard this transmitter as being adjusted to an unstable and sensitive point near the adjustment where oscillations are imminent. A very slight addition of energy to the aerial of the transmitter will unbalance the critical stage and os-

cillations of violent form will take place,—which building up, will cause the circuit to transmit—its originally intended function. If some means are not employed to stop the oscillations and restore the circuit to the critical stage, the high frequency output will persist.

It is obvious that it would be extremely difficult and impractical to manually or mechanically readjust the circuit to the critical point,—and this continuously at high speed. However, regard an alternating electromotive force as being applied to the plate circuit instead of the usual D. C. If the circuit is adjusted to the critical stage, it is seen that oscillations will tend to become imminent only when the positive half of the alternator cycle charges the plate, and following, when the plate is negative, under the alternator influence, the circuit will be dead. The whole, therefore, is alternately active and inactive, the plate potential deciding which and acting as a governor of the tube operation.

Consider the tube during a period when the plate is positive, as adjusted to the critical point where oscillations are imminent but yet unformed. If a signal

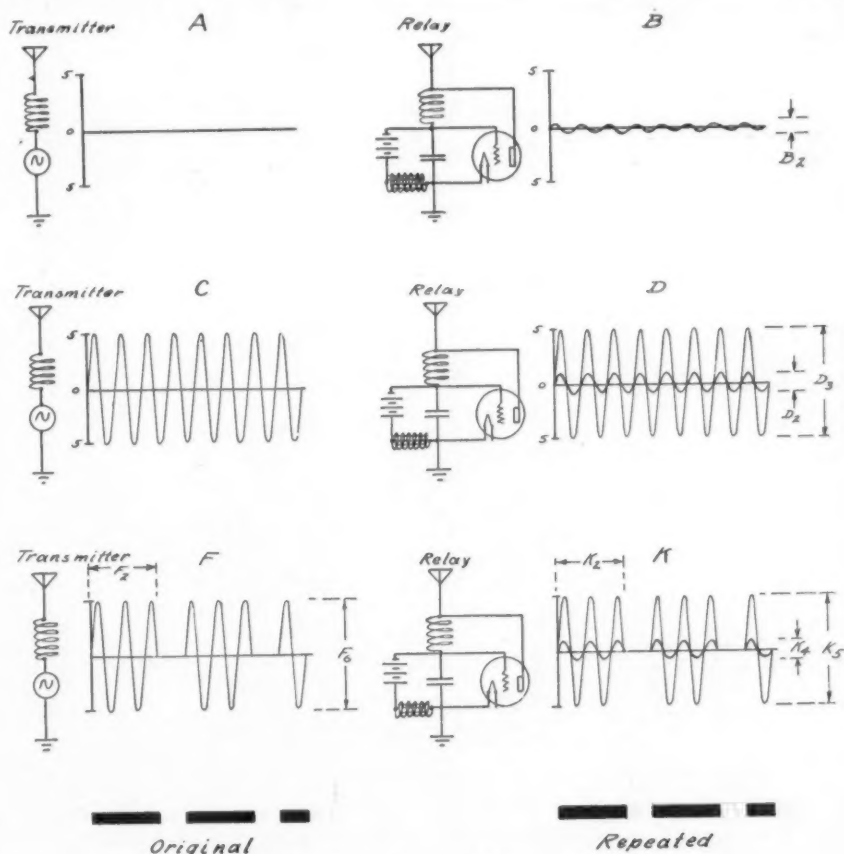


Fig. 2. Illustration of Relay Action

energy from a distant station be absorbed by the local antenna, although infinitely small in amplitude, nevertheless it will be sufficient to apply a grid potential of amplitude necessary to upset the critical adjustment and start the flow of oscillations. These latter persist only as long as the plate is positive, but when the plate potential is reversed and made negative, the oscillations will stop, even though the incoming signal persists continuously.

When the plate is restored to a positive potential the critical adjustment is also restored, and the persistent incoming signal will again provoke oscillations, which latter continue as before while the plate is positive, but cease when the negative half cycle appears.

Regard the incoming signal as a "dot" of the telegraphic code, and the alternator frequency as 100 cycles per second. If the "dot" be  $1/10$  second in duration, 10 cycles of the alternator will be applied to the plate during that time—and since a single cycle incorporates one positive and one negative potential (at the plate), and since the tube can oscillate only when the plate is positive, wave trains will be formed and radiated ten times in  $1/10$  second.

In the same process the tube will be "dead" ten times in  $1/10$  second, when no radiation or local oscillations will occur. If the transmitted wave is 50 meters that will correspond to a frequency of 6,000,000 cycles, which emission, however, is not maintained continuously, as the plate supply, therefore tube operation, is interrupted at a rate of 100 times (cycles) per second. Therefore, emitted signals at the 50-meter wave will bear a 100-cycle note at a distant receiver, be-

cause the incoming wave trains will appear in groups of 30,000 at a rate of 100 times per second. The duration of each group of 30,000 is only  $1/200$  of a second, since emissions occur only during the positive plate supply period which is manifest during each half alternation,—which full alternation occurs each  $1/100$  second.

Better understanding of the operation of the device may be probably gained by reference to Fig. 2. *A* represents the distant transmitter, the signals of which are to be repeated or relayed. Since the relay or repeater station *B* is actuated by received signals emanating from *A*, the wave lengths of both are identical.

Without radiation at *A*, the repeater station at *B*, adjusted to point of imminent oscillation, will not radiate, and infinitely small or no oscillations will occur locally. If such occur their amplitude may be represented as at *B2*.

Consider the distant transmitter in full operation (as at *C*),—then the repeater station (as at *D*) will be affected and will absorb a received signal of amplitude *D2*. This energy is sufficient to upset the critical adjustment of *D* and the latter will break into violent oscillation transmitting with an amplitude of *D3*.

However, if the transmission at the distant station (as at *F*) is in conformance with telegraphic signals, the repeater station (see *K*) will follow the transmission of *F* in exact replica,—oscillations being governed by the critical adjustment and the restoring action of the a. c. plate supply. However, the signal note of *K* will depend upon the frequency of the alternator supplying the plate—if the latter is 60 cycles, the emissions

will bear a 60-cycle note, if 100 cycles, the latter will correspond to 100 cycles in tonality.

Fig. 3 graphically illustrates the tube action. Beginning at *A*, the alternator frequency is represented. At *B* the uni-directional (rectified) plate current traversing the tube is shown (with the negative halves of the cycle discarded and unused.) *C* represents the alternate positive and negative potentials at the plate. *D* represents the radiation groups of 30,000 cycles each (at 50 meters) occurring 100 times a second, and enduring for  $1/200$  of a second.

It is well to consider the incoming signals charted between *D* and *I* as without the incoming signals, the oscillations of *D* are not formed. *I* represents the key manipulation and output of the distant transmitter. *2* represents the received energy which tends to oscillate in the repeater station grid circuit, in conformance with the distant emissions.

These grid oscillations act as a trigger for the whole process represented as originating at *A*, at the alternating plate supply and culminating at *D* in re-transmission of energy analogous to the code of the distant Key *I*.

Obviously the entire system necessarily is indicated for fixed stations and not for marine stations where difficulties would be great in maintaining the critical adjustment of the repeater apparatus,—although in fine weather at sea, considerable success might be accomplished.

Without doubt, the system is not limited to radio aerial transmission,—nor limited to a certain wave. Modulation of other and different transmitting frequencies could be accomplished, and signals even fed into wire land lines using the "carrier" system, such as long distance lines.

The outstanding virtue of the scheme lies in the fact that relay re-transmission can be accomplished automatically, without the touch of a key, or operation of mechanical relays at the intermediate station,—and that the relayed emissions are in exact conformity to the original emissions at the distant transmitter.

Necessarily interference and atmospherics present a problem, yet such a two-way system, with operators at both ends, would function the same as if there were two stations working direct, instead of through the intermediate repeater station.

Some interesting new developments are happily expected and about due.

Don't think because you have moved your storage battery down into the basement that it is low, when you run No. 18 wire up to the set using 4 or 5 tubes, as the voltage drop on a long line of such wire will often be as much as a volt, with consequent poorer results in the receiver.

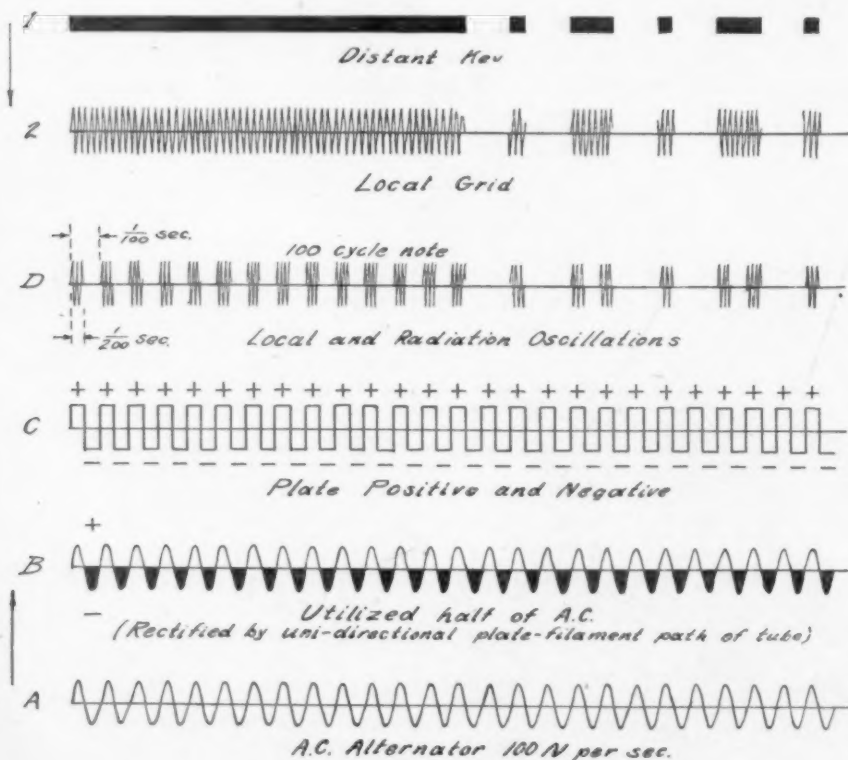


Fig. 3. Illustration of Tube Action



# Short Wave Counterpoises

A Discussion of Various Means for Reducing Ground Resistance  
With Application to 77-Meter Transmission

By Gaston B. Ashe

WHILE the design of an efficient counterpoise or earthing system is fully as important as the design of the antenna itself, this problem has received little attention, so the writer has devoted considerable time in an effort to determine how the earthing resistance of antennas could be reduced by practical and cheap methods. While the results so far have been gratifying it is felt that there is still a long way to go before 100 per cent efficiency is obtained. It is hoped, however, that this paper will induce others to think and experiment along these same lines.

Let us attack this problem from first principles. Fig. 1-A shows an antenna

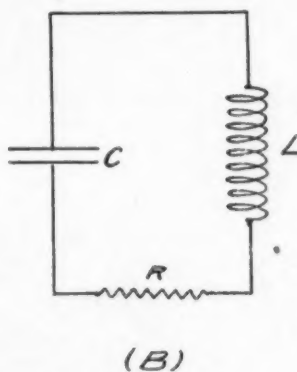
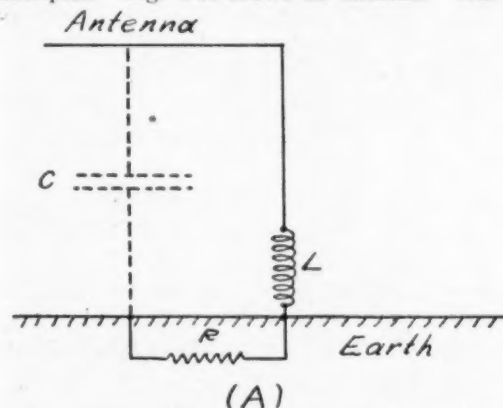


Fig. 1. Antenna and Ground With Equivalent Circuit

with a plain ground connection. The antenna here acts as one plate of a condenser and the earth as the other. However, the current in passing from the lower plate to the station must flow through the earth which has a comparatively high resistance (often exceeding 25 ohms). We may think of this earth resistance as the ohmic resistance  $R$  in Fig. 1-A. We then have a circuit equivalent to that shown in Fig. 1-B, i. e., a condenser with a resistance in series.

While at high wave lengths (low frequencies) the effect of a resistance in series with a condenser has a small effect on the efficiency of the circuit, this effect increases as the frequency, and at low wave lengths assumes alarming proportions. At 100 meters (3,000,000 cycles) an antenna having a capacity of .001 mfd. and a ground or series resistance of 20 ohms would have a power factor of .378, i. e., a 37.8 per cent loss, or an efficiency of only 62.2 per cent, neglecting all other losses. This shows the importance of eliminating this ground resistance in some way.

A scheme was devised whereby the earth in the vicinity of the antenna was

divided up into many equal small areas, a ground placed in each area and each ground connected to the station by means of a wire. The current entering the earth was, therefore, not permitted to pass through it for any great distance and hence the earthing resistance was almost entirely eliminated.

A brief description of this system, which is shown in Fig. 2, should be of interest. A symmetrical umbrella type antenna was used, the height being about 30 ft. and the radius of the pentagonal-shaped top having a radius of about 80 ft. This arrangement had about the same fundamental as the average amateur aerial. Earth connections were

made so that the current flow in each wire was the same. It was found that this arrangement had an earthing resistance of less than 0.1 ohm.

Some experimenting was done along these lines, but neither space nor the money was available to build this sort of system exactly. When a flat top was used and only a few earthing stars were placed it was found that the resistance was never lower than when a large counterpoise was used and it was concluded that unless the earth in the vicinity was completely covered with stars this system would not function properly. This was no doubt due to the fact that the energy entering the ground in the area not covered by stars had to pass through the earth to the star-covered area.

Another and probably the most practical method of reducing earthing resistance is by the use of a counterpoise. An antenna working against a counterpoise is shown in Fig. 3-A.

It will be seen here that unless the counterpoise is very large or at a considerable distance above the ground, some of the current flowing from the antenna will enter the ground beyond its limits, pass through the ground and then up into the counterpoise. We will then have a circuit equivalent to Fig. 3-B. While this arrangement is superior to Fig. 1-B it is, nevertheless, far from perfect.

However, by making the counterpoise very large so that the ground in the vicinity of the station is completely shielded, a very low earthing resistance results. In Sweden, a counterpoise of this sort was built, over 1,000,000 feet of wire being used and supported by 500 telephone poles. The earthing resistance at this station was less than 0.1 ohm.

This arrangement is obviously impractical from a construction standpoint and because of the large space required, is

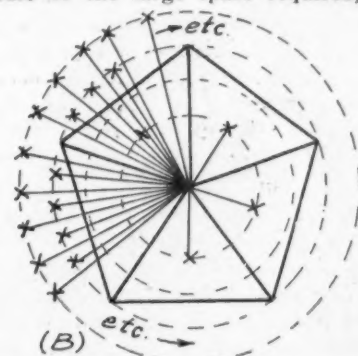
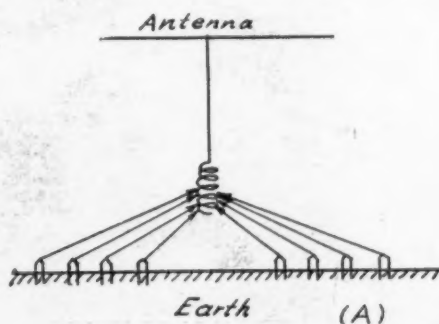


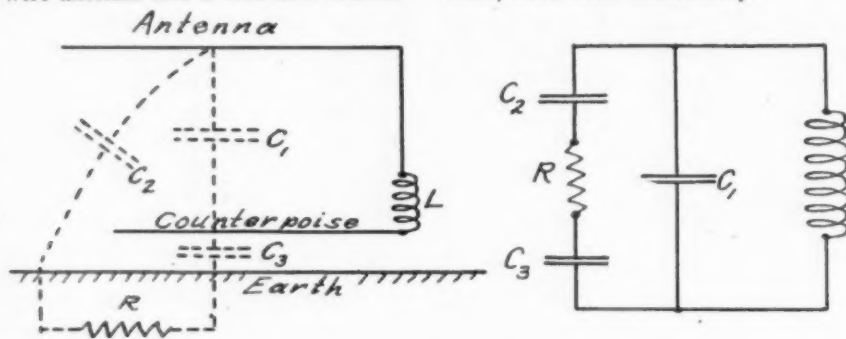
Fig. 2. Multi-Connection Ground

especially so from an amateur standpoint where operations are generally confined within the limits of a 100 ft. x 40 ft. lot with a house on it.

The writer consequently conducted a long series of experiments with a 4-wire and a 2-wire flat top antenna 50 ft. long and 50 ft. above the counterpoise, having a 20 ft. spreader at the far end and a 10 ft. at the near end. The counterpoise was 10 ft. above the ground and the wires 100 ft. long. After numerous changes in the end-spreads of the counterpoise and the addition of as many as 10 wires, it was found that the lowest resistance was obtained with a 2-wire antenna and a four-side counter-

thought that its effect was that of a ground shield, which prevented stray lines of force passing between antenna and small counterpoise from entering and passing through the high resistance earth. While few actual measurements have yet been made using this arrangement a sketch thereof is given in Fig. 4 with dotted lines showing its probable action.

It is felt that the following general specifications are in accordance with good practice for short wave antenna construction, as the results obtained at the writer's and at the several other stations conforming to these specifications, have been satisfactory.



A Fig. 3. Antenna and Counterpoise With Equivalent Circuit B

poise with 100 ft. spread at the far end and 50 ft. at the near end. No. 14 galvanized iron wire gave as good results as copper. The best results gave about 10 ohms resistance on 200 meters.

With the advent of the new amateur bands a new 77 meter system was constructed as described in February RADIO. The antenna consisted of a vertical copper ribbon 50 ft. high with a 3 ft. iron hoop at the top to act as a corona shield and to keep the center of capacity up. The counterpoise on top of the house consisted of 3 iron wires each 30 ft. long and extended in three directions like a star, with the ends open. The counterpoise was approximately 20 ft. above the ground. This system had a fundamental of 70 meters which was brought up to 77 meters by the use of a 3 turn coupling coil. The total resistance at this wave was approximately 20 ohms.

Several attempts were made to reduce this resistance which finally resulted in the reconstruction of the old two-wire counterpoise used for 175 meter transmission as a supplementary counterpoise or earth shield. This large counterpoise was coupled to the antenna inductance by means of a series-condenser at approximately the nodal point. It was found that a reduction in resistance of about 7 ohms immediately resulted, with a corresponding increase in radiation of from 2 to 3½ amperes.

The series condenser was not critical and had no appreciable effect on the wave length of the transmitter or antenna system and for this reason it is

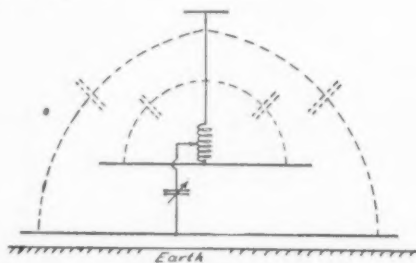


Fig. 4. Vertical Antenna with Counterpoise and Earth Shield

(a) Use a vertical or steeply sloping antenna 50 to 80 ft. high, composed of an iron pipe, copper ribbon or small cage and place a lumped capacity such as a hoop or copper ball at the top.

(b) Construct a 3 to 5 wire radial

counterpoise with ends open and well off the ground (preferably on top of the house) with each wire 30 ft. to 50 ft. long.

(c) Build a supplementary counterpoise or earth shield fairly close to the ground and covering as much area as possible with a few long wires. Couple this to the antenna inductance through a series condenser.

## MEXICAN RADIOCAST STATIONS

Of the eleven radiocast stations in Mexico, XICE is the latest. It is located at Chihuahua and is operated by the State, Pedro D. Alvarez being the operator. It is on the air with a musical program from 8:00 to 9:30 p. m. (mountain time) on Wednesday and Friday evenings. Its wavelength is 400 meters.

Other transmitting stations are:

CYA—Partido Liberal Avanzado, 185 meters.

CYB—El Buena Tono, S. A., 380 meters.

CYG—Secretary of War.

CYL—La casa del Radio, 510 meters.

CYO—C. Tarmara, Jr., Monterey, 285 meters.

CYR—City of Mazatlan.

CYX—Excelsior y Cia. Parker, 350 meters.

CYZ—Liga Central Mexicano de Radio, 400 meters.

CZA—Department of Aviation, 530 meters.

CYF—F. Zorilla, Oaxaca.

Don't forget that connections soldered with paste may corrode if not used properly and wiped clean after use.

If you use aluminum wire for the antenna, be sure that it is all in one piece from the end to the set, as if it is not, the connections will be liable to oxidation, with resultant noise.



Radio Station XICE



# Radiophone Modulation Circuits for the Radio Novice

## A Simple Explanation of What is Done by Modulation and How It is Accomplished

By L. R. Felder

**M**ANY novices who began their radio education with the reception of broadcasting are turning their attention to transmission. Radiotelephony is naturally of more interest to the beginner than telegraphy, although the license which must first be secured requires some knowledge of sending and receiving the code. Assuming that this has been secured and the problem of constructing a phone set is ready to be tackled, the question arises as to what type of modulation system to use. There are many circuits for securing modulation, some of them looking very complex and intricate. However there are a few standard ones which are quite simple and may be suited to almost any type of transmitter. In fact most circuits may be reduced to one of these few simple types. It will be the object here to describe each of these modulation systems in simple terms.

The continuous waves generated in and radiated from the antenna have a uniform amplitude, or strength, while speech currents themselves cannot travel through space, the continuous wave oscillations generated at high frequency are able to. If the speech currents are superimposed on them they will carry the speech along with them. For this reason the radio frequency oscillations are called "carrier waves." The object of modulation is to impress the speech waves on the radio frequency waves in such a manner that the speech will be faithfully repeated at the receiving station and will be most efficiently transferred through space. In order that we should hear the exact sound corresponding to the speech wave, the radio frequency waves must be shaped according to this complex speech wave.

The frequency of the radio frequency wave may be 1,000,000 cycles per second, while that of the speech may only be 1,000 cycles per second, which is in the range of frequencies to which the ear is capable of responding, whereas the radio frequencies are far above audibility. The speech wave has not a uniform maximum amplitude or strength. Since it is the speech which we desire to hear and since it is the radio frequency wave which travels to the receiver, it will be understood that the radio frequency wave must be so changed that its shape corresponds exactly with the

speech wave, reproducing the complex form minutely, its maximum amplitude varying exactly like that of the speech wave and at the same frequency as the speech wave, without giving up its own high frequency of vibration, for this high frequency is absolutely essential if the speech is to be transmitted over large distances. This changing of the radio frequency wave is called "modulation" and is accomplished by a modulation system.

If a circuit could be so arranged that the waves radiated from the antenna would have the appearance shown in Fig. 1 our object would be accomplished.

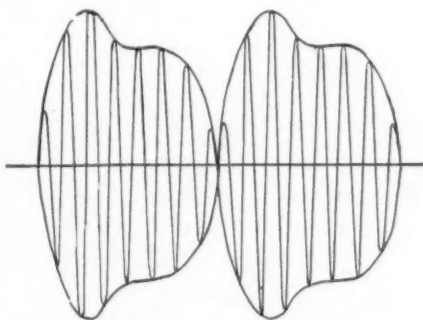


Fig. 1. Radio Frequency Oscillations Enveloped by Speech Oscillations

We have the required radio frequency oscillations, shaped by the speech wave impressed on it. In other words the radio frequency oscillations have been moulded completely by the speech waves so that every characteristic of the speech wave is reproduced, thus giving us an exact reproduction of the sound, and at the same time the waves oscillate themselves at the original radio frequency which enables them to radiate through space. This moulding of the radio frequency oscillations is what modulation accomplishes, and is necessary if speech is to be transmitted by radio. The more nearly the radio frequency wave is moulded in exact accordance with that of the speech the more exact and true will the reproduction of the speech. The actual amount by which the speech current varies the amplitude of the radio frequency oscillations depends upon circuit conditions. The greater the actual change in the amplitude the better will be the modulation, for it is evident that if the amplitude did not change, or only change a little,

no modulation would be effected and therefore speech would not be transmitted. The maximum change which the amplitude can undergo gives "complete" or 100 per cent modulation. If the change in amplitude is less than the maximum for the particular system of modulation we have "incomplete" modulation or under 100 per cent modulation. If complete modulation is had the station will be more efficient and transmit farther than if incomplete modulation exists. However in securing complete modulation there is always danger of distortion. Some amateurs secure complete modulation at the expense of destroying the quality of their speech. It is preferable to have less than complete modulation and have good speech quality, than to have complete modulation and poor speech quality. For although with complete modulation the speech may be transmitted farther when it is received it may not be understood, so that very little is gained thereby. The different systems of modulation suitable for beginners will now be taken up, and the manner in which they modulate will be explained.

In the simplest system which the amateur can employ the microphone is placed as shown in Fig. 2. When the



Fig. 2. Microphone in Antenna

microphone is idle, that is, without impressed sound, the radio frequency oscillations in the antenna have a certain definite amplitude, determined by the resistance of the antenna and the microphone. When it is spoken into, the sound waves strike the diaphragm of the microphone and move it back and forth. This diaphragm bears on the surface of

a chamber containing carbon granules and when it moves back and forth it alters the resistance of the microphone by varying the pressure with which it bears on the carbon. This variation of resistance is proportional to the motion of the diaphragm which in turn is proportional to the intensity of the sound waves striking it. Due to the variation in resistance of the microphone the antenna current amplitude will also vary in proportion as the microphone resistance varies. But we saw that the microphone resistance varies in accordance with the speech waves striking it, therefore it follows that the antenna current amplitude varies in proportion with the sound waves. Hence we have a varying wave similar to that in Fig. 1, since the antenna current follows the speech variations. Thus modulation is accomplished very simply with this system.

Such a system is not suitable for high powers because the microphone has very little current carrying capacity, and since the entire antenna current flows through it, it is only suitable for low power sets under 5 watts, preferably under 3 watts. Thus it is very suitable for beginners contemplating using receiver amplifier tubes in an oscillating receiver operated as a transmitter. The type of microphone used is an important consideration. If the amateur desires good speech his microphone must repeat faithfully in its resistance changes the sound waves. The 25 cent variety is not always the best. A standard make, and they are not expensive as prices are today, should be employed, such as a Kellogg, W. E., or Stromberg-Carlson.

In using the above system certain variations may have to be made, to secure most efficient results. It has been definitely shown that for best results the microphone resistance should be equal to the antenna resistance if directly placed in the antenna. This coincidence is not generally the case so that the amateur will have to alter matters so that this condition is satisfied. This may be done in one of two ways: The microphone may be connected in a separate circuit which is coupled to the antenna coil by means of a coil of a few turns of wire as in Fig. 3. By varying the num-

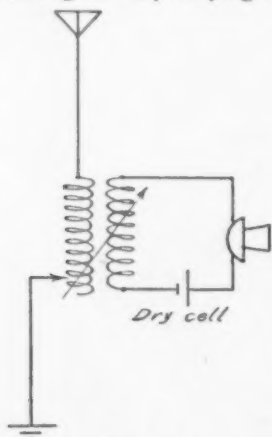


Fig. 3. Microphone in Coupled Circuit

ber of turns in the microphone circuit the most suitable value of the coil may be found. Or the microphone may be shunted with 4 or 5 turns of wire, wound on a small form 1 to 2 in. in diameter as in Fig. 4. The turns may

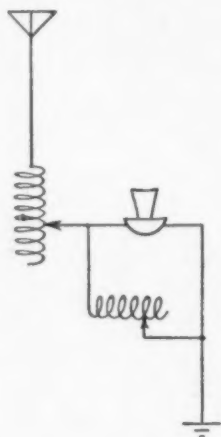


Fig. 4. Microphone With Shunted Inductance

be of bare copper wire spaced so they do not touch each other. By tapping off different numbers of turns shunting the microphone the most suitable value may be found. Other variations of this microphone in the antenna scheme may be found but these are satisfactory for the beginner.

An improvement over the above system is the use of a magnetic modulator, such as that made by the Radio Corporation of America. This has been designed to produce fairly good and high modulation when employed in low power sets. It really is a transformer with a special type of iron as a core. When the microphone is spoken into, the variation of resistance in it alters the current flowing in one winding. This in turn alters the magnetic flux or con-

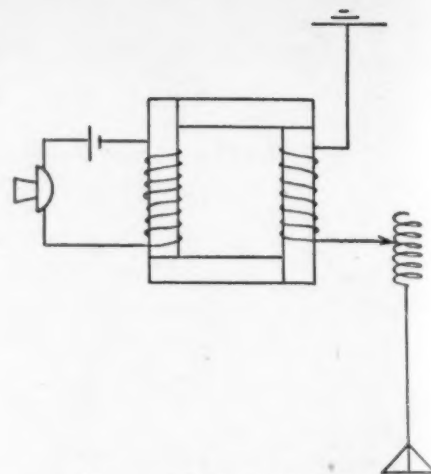


Fig. 5. Magnetic Modulator

dition of the transformer which results in a variation of resistance. Since one winding of this transformer is connected in series with the antenna this resistance variation causes the antenna to vary, as above, and modulation results.

The modulation systems so far considered are the most suitable for the beginner as they are the easiest, least troublesome, and the least expensive. Other systems will give better results but it is best to become acquainted with the simple systems first. The other types of modulation systems will be discussed later.

Don't forget that even if the grid leak is right, that in many cases, a slight reduction on the filament current will often clear up signals just as well as re-adjusting the leak.

When using lead batteries, you will get better results if they are given an occasional overcharge, instead of a few short charges.



What Kin a Feller Do?



# Eliminating the CW-Phone Switch

Some Practical Suggestions for Improvements in the Connections of CW Transmitters

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**M**OST transmitting amateurs know that in a transmitter when two or more tubes are used in parallel as oscillators the grid wires from the grid condenser to the sockets must be of exactly equal length. The plate leads, also, must be connected in such a manner that the wires connecting the socket plate terminals to the radio frequency choke-coil are of exactly the same length. The easiest way to do this is to connect the grid terminals on two of the sockets together with a piece of heavy copper tubing or bus-bar, and connect the wire leading to the set to the exact measured center of this grid joining wire. The same thing must also be done in connecting up the plate terminals of the two sockets.

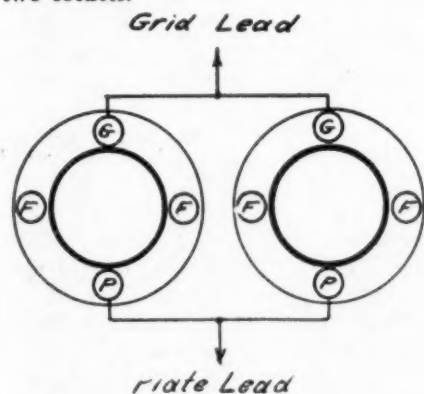


Fig. 1. Method of Connecting Two Sockets

This is shown in Fig. 1 which shows 50-watt tube sockets. If 5-watt tube sockets are used, the grid and plate terminals will be found to be arranged in slightly different positions on the socket. If three oscillators are to be used, considerable difficulty will be encountered in making the grid leads exactly equal in length.

It is much better practice to use an

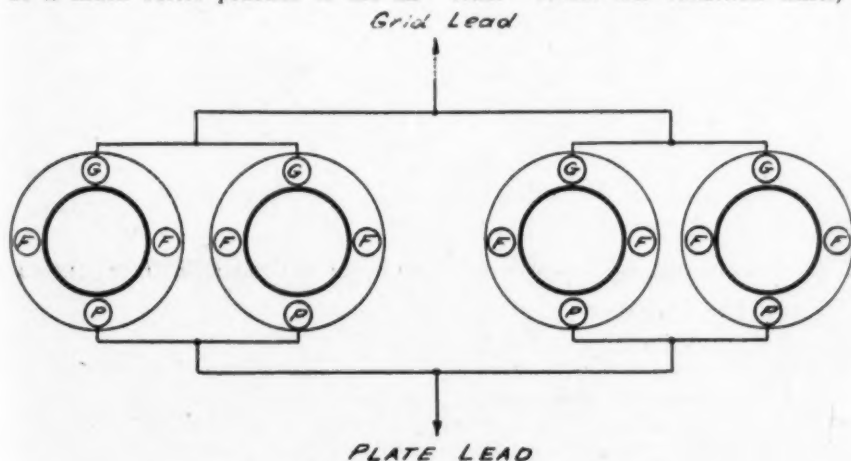


Fig. 2. Method of Connecting Four Sockets

even number of tube sockets even though one socket will not be used. The proper manner of connecting up four tube sockets so that all the grid leads will be exactly the same length, is shown in Fig. 2. The plate leads are also equalized, as will be seen.

When oscillating tubes are properly connected up, as just explained, the electrical connection to the grids of all the tubes are of equal length, and the tubes, if they are of the same type, will oscillate at exactly the same frequency. This means that the tubes will all draw practically the same current—since the tubes nowadays are very nearly uniform—and that each will carry its portion of the load. When this condition exists, we

are getting the maximum output of energy possible for the input, if the insulation of the sockets and the wiring is of the best.

If the grid and plate leads were con-

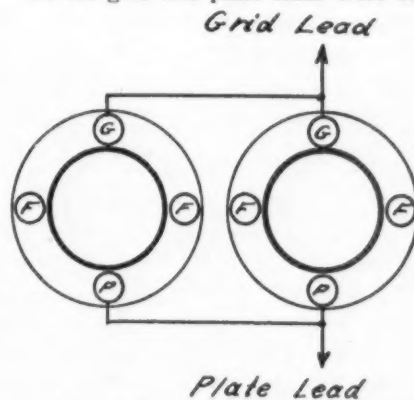


Fig. 3. Improper Method of Connection

nected as shown in Fig. 3, the two tubes would oscillate at slightly different frequencies (that is, different wavelengths), and one of the tubes—the one that was out of resonance with the transmitter—would heat badly, especially if high power were used. The other tube, which would be in tune, would be doing practically all of the work and would remain comparatively cool, for most of the energy, instead of being spent heating the plate of the tube as in the other case, would be fed into the oscillating circuit and radiated. The tube which was out of tune would only be burning up valu-

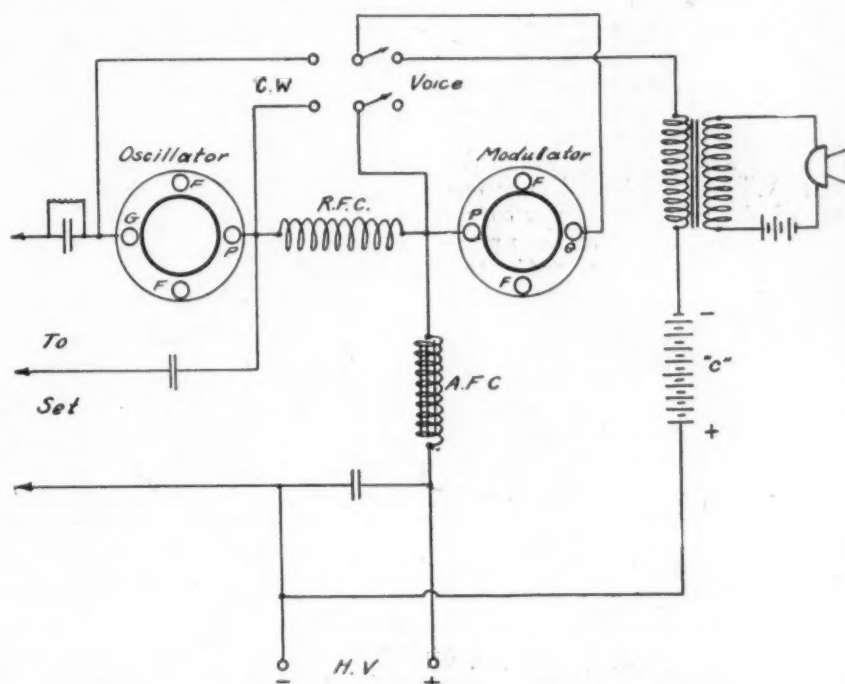


Fig. 4. Circuit Diagram with CW Phone Switch

able energy and doing practically nothing to increase the output of the set. This tube would be better out of the circuit than connected in this manner, for it only helps to lower the over-all frequency of the set.

Efficiency is the biggest factor in amateur transmission and reception, and extreme care must be taken to eliminate all these avoidable losses. A tube that is operating out of tune heats so badly that there is danger that it will flash over and ruin the tube. It is never good practice to operate a tube hot if it can be avoided, for it is only wasting valuable energy and materially shortening its life. When the grid and plate terminals of the tubes are connected up properly, the two tubes should run practically equally hot, and when in this condition they will be working together and giving the maximum output possible. As long as copper tubing or heavy busbar wire is used in connecting up the filament circuit, it does not matter whether the filament leads to the tubes are of equal length or not. For the sake of simplicity, the filament connections are left out.

When the design of a CW-phone set is considered, there is always trouble with the switch that connects the modulator tube in parallel with the oscillator when CW transmission is used. No matter how carefully this switch is designed and built, there is bound to be a considerable loss of energy, because it is connected in that part of the circuit where losses are most prone to occur, as will be seen in Fig 4 which shows the hook-up for a set using one of these switches.

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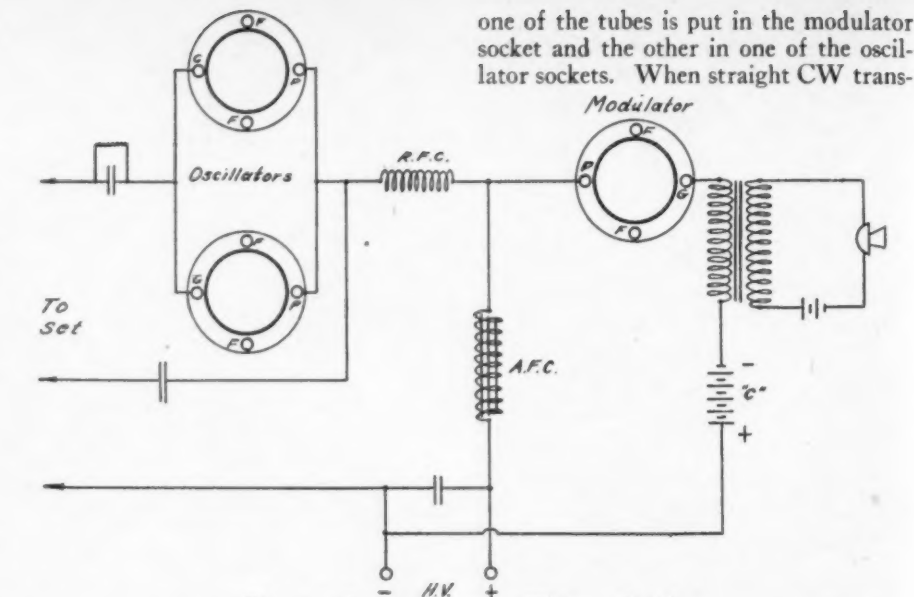


Fig. 5. Circuit Diagram Without Switch

trying to get the grid leads to the two tubes so connected that when the tubes are thrown in parallel for CW the grid leads to the oscillator and modulator tubes will be exactly equal in length. This is nearly mechanically impossible even when the switch is most carefully designed and wired, so the scheme shown in Fig. 5 was devised. This not only does away with the switch and its losses but it also greatly simplifies the wiring of the set, and the only additional apparatus needed is an inexpensive tube socket—assuming that the set is designed for one oscillator and one modulator tube. As will be seen, this extra tube socket is connected in parallel with the regular oscillator socket in the manner shown in Fig. 1.

When voice transmission is to be used,

mission or ICW with a chopper is to be used, the modulator tube is taken from its socket and placed in the extra oscillator socket. This puts the two tubes in parallel as oscillators. The set is now in the most efficient condition for transmission on CW, and avoidable losses have been cut down to a minimum. When the tube is taken out of the modulator socket, the A, B and C battery connections are automatically broken, thus saving the expense of a filament and plate switch.

In Fig. 6 is shown the hook-up of a shunt-feed, inductively-coupled Hartley transmitter with Heising modulation, using the modulator changing stunt described in this article. This is one of the best circuits to use with a low-powered transmitter. If the circuit is

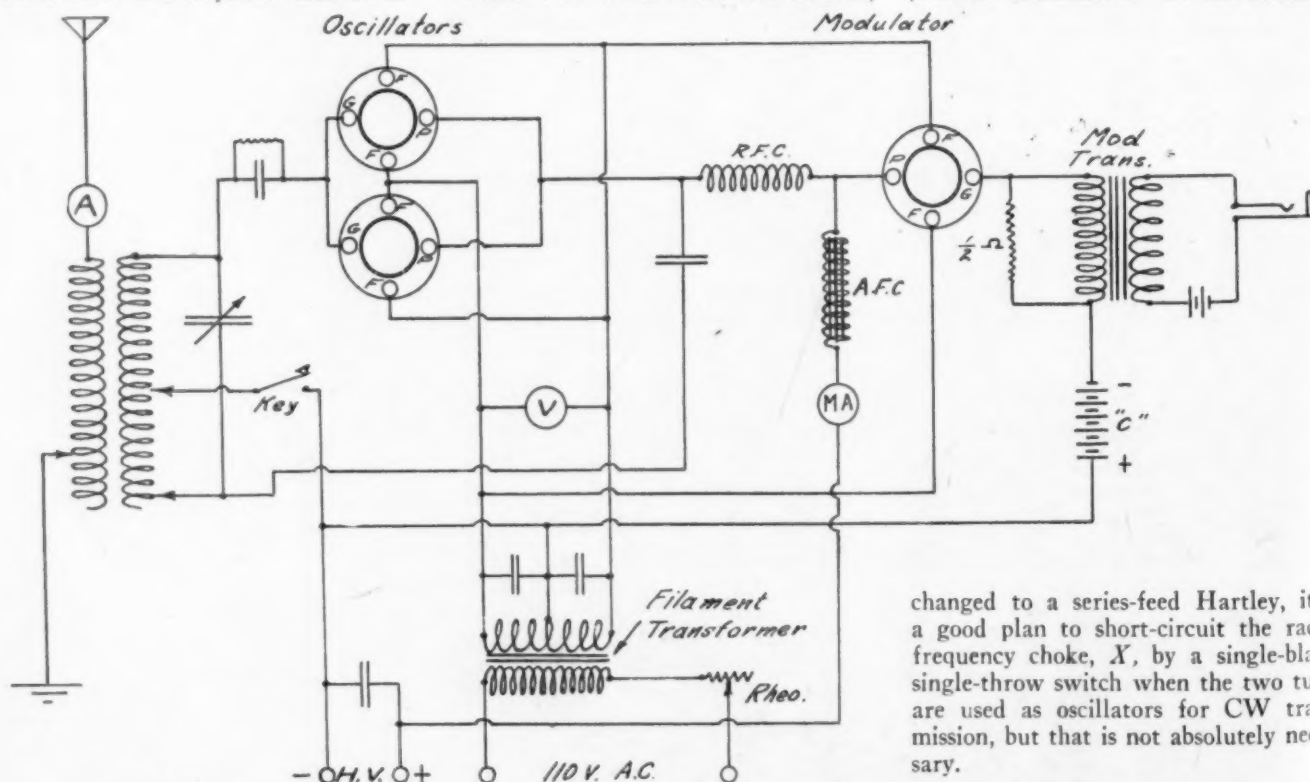


Fig. 6. Circuit Diagram of Shunt-Feed, Inductively-Coupled Hartley Transmitter with Heising Modulation

changed to a series-feed Hartley, it is a good plan to short-circuit the radio-frequency choke, X, by a single-blade, single-throw switch when the two tubes are used as oscillators for CW transmission, but that is not absolutely necessary.



# Measurement of Ultra-Radio Frequencies

Detailed Directions for Using an Oscillator and Wavemeter  
for 1 to 10 Meter Measurements

By Frank C. Jones

SINCE the use of the extremely short wavelengths has become popular, the need of accurately measuring wavelengths of from 1 to 10 meters is evident and can be done readily by using a modified form of Lecher Wire system. The following discussion has to do with a suitable oscillator for very short wavelengths and the use and some of the precautions necessary when taking measurements with parallel wire systems to obtain fairly accurate results, that is to within a small fraction of one per cent.

The oscillator employed in the experiments used a modified form of Colpitts circuit and oscillated quite freely from 1.50 up to 8 meters. The Colpitts circuit is especially adaptable for short wavelengths and the correspondingly high frequencies, because in the circuit as shown in Fig. 1 the usual series

isable for the stopping condenser so that 1.55 meters was the lowest obtainable due to the length of the leads necessary. The radio frequency chokes were 50 turns of small wire on a 1 in. cardboard tube, four being necessary, two in the filament leads, one in the shunt plate supply and the fourth in series with the grid leak. The stopping condenser keeps the high voltages off the grid and perhaps helps to cut down the capacity between grid and plate, since the smaller the capacity the shorter the wavelength. It was possible to vary the wavelength by about 15 per cent in this manner. The tube was a 5 wattor with the base removed by means of a gas flame.

An easy way to find out if the oscillator is working properly is to use about 2 turns in the oscillator for a start and make up a small wavemeter using 1 turn about 2 in. in diameter, in series

have some means of indicating that current is flowing through it. Such a device will be described later.

The theory of standing waves produced on parallel wires is fairly simple. A wave impressed on the system is reflected back after reaching the free end and combines with the next or other impressed waves so that the final effect is stationary waves of voltage and current differing by 90 degrees. The adjustments are quite simple, merely finding the points of maximum current by sliding the shorting link along the wires until the current indicating device shows a maximum value. These points are very sharp as they are based on a condition of resonance and are points of zero voltage and maximum current. The frequency can be found quite accurately from the formula

$$f = \frac{V_0}{2L} (1 - \Delta)$$

$f$  = the frequency in cycles per second.

$V_0$  = vel. of light in meters per second.

$L$  = distance between max. points of current in meters.

$\Delta$  = a small quantity which is a function of the resistance and inductance of the parallel wires at the frequency used. The term  $\Delta$  does not change the results very much, probably not more than .1 per cent. Details of the calculation of  $\Delta$  can be found in Bureau of Standards paper No. 491.

As ordinarily taken this formula can be simplified to  $f = \frac{V}{2L}$  where  $V$  is about .1 per cent less than  $V_0$ .

$$\lambda = \frac{V}{f} = \text{wavelength,}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 2L \text{ approximately.}$$

By decreasing the measured value of  $L$  slightly, say about .1 per cent or less for frequencies above 20,000 kilocycles, a very close approximation of  $\lambda$  may be found. The spacing between wires has very little effect as long as the diameter of the wires is small compared to the distance between them. The term  $\Delta$  takes up any slight error due to the spacing if it is within reasonable limits, say from 2 to 6 in. or so.

As before mentioned, the shunt to be used across the wires at points of maximum current should be of very low resistance since it will affect the coefficient of reflection of the system and so change the apparent distance between maximum current points. This follows

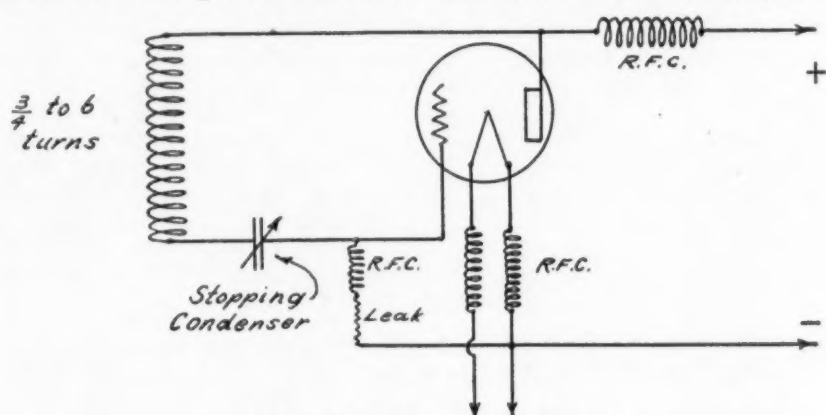


Fig. 1. Modified Colpitts Oscillator

condenser is merely the capacity between the grid and filament inside of the vacuum tube and the wires coming out to the base of the tube.

Using this circuit, an ordinary 50 watt tube was made to oscillate with considerable power output on 4 meters without excessive heating. By removing the base from an ordinary 5 watt tube no difficulty was had in getting down to 1.65 meters.

I believe 1 meter could be reached by using shorter leads and a suitable stopping condenser such as two parallel plates so that the grid lead would connect directly to one plate at the edge of the tube and the tube plate lead describe a partial circle 1 to 2 in. in diameter around to the other condenser plate. The two plates could be about 2 in. in diameter and spaced far enough apart so that the plate voltage would not arc across. The oscillator used here had an ordinary double spaced 10-plate var-

with a 4 or 5-plate condenser and a flash-light lamp for an indicator. If the oscillator isn't working, obviously there is little danger of burning out the lamp. However, if the oscillator is constructed carefully and normal voltages used, it will probably work the first shot. The wavemeter can be calibrated directly in meters from the parallel wires and is just the thing for that 5-meter band.

The parallel wire system itself consists of two 20 ft. parallel wires separated from 2 to 5 in., No. 14 bare copper wire being quite suitable. One end is closed by means of a short loop to which the oscillator is coupled and the other free and insulated from the supports. The wires should have a clear span between supports with no nearby objects which, if moved during the readings, would change the capacity between wires. The short-circuiting link used in finding the points of maximum current should be of very low resistance and yet

readily from the relation that the coefficient of reflection  $C = \frac{Z - Z_0}{Z + Z_0}$  where  $Z_0$  is the surge impedance of the wires and  $Z$  is the impedance of the shorting link.  $Z = R + jX$  so, as ordinarily considered,  $Z = R$ , since the reactive term  $X$  is very small for a short straight piece of wire in comparison with the high frequency resistance  $R$ , and so we may say that  $C = \frac{R - Z_0}{R + Z_0}$  which shows that  $R$  should be as small as possible in order to have  $C = -1$ .

This shows at once that the use of a small lamp as a current indicator even with as small a resistance as an ohm or so, will change the coefficient of reflection and so throw out the measurements entirely. As a practical example of this a measurement was taken using a wavelength of 1.75 meters which was checked quite accurately with the thermocouple and galvanometer method. Using a 2.3 volt flash-light lamp and moving from hump of current to the next gave an entirely different apparent wavelength as did using a shorting link of copper wire on the first hump and a lamp on the second hump. The apparent wavelength in the first case was 1.45 and the second 1.66 meters which are way off and yet articles have appeared in various magazines recommending the use of flashlight lamps for the indicators or small hot-wire or thermocouple meters which may have even greater resistances.

The most accurate method is to use a straight short piece of copper wire and connect a delicate thermocouple in shunt to part of it as in Fig. 2. A 6 ohm thermocouple was shunted across  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in.

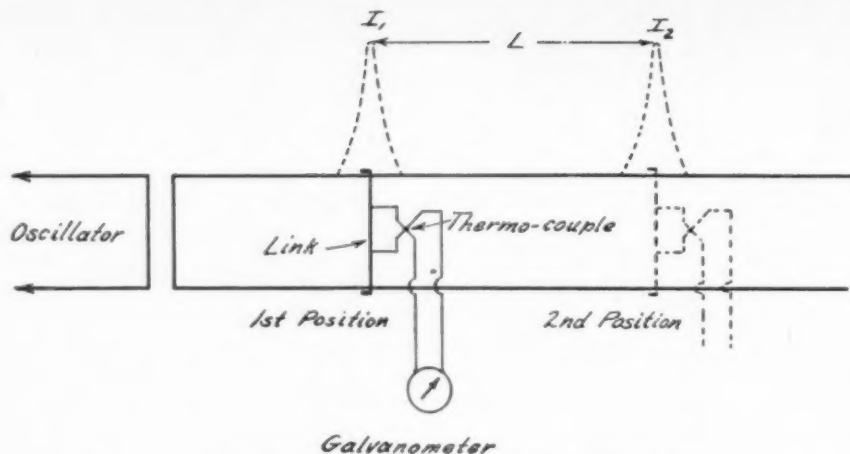


Fig. 2. Accurate Method of Measurement

of a straight 4 in. shorting link of No. 14 copper wire in the device used here and the two leads from the thermocouple brought away perpendicular to the parallel wires out to a telescope and moving mirror type of galvanometer. Only an extremely small portion of the current will flow through TC, most of it flowing through the fairly low resistance copper wire shunt.

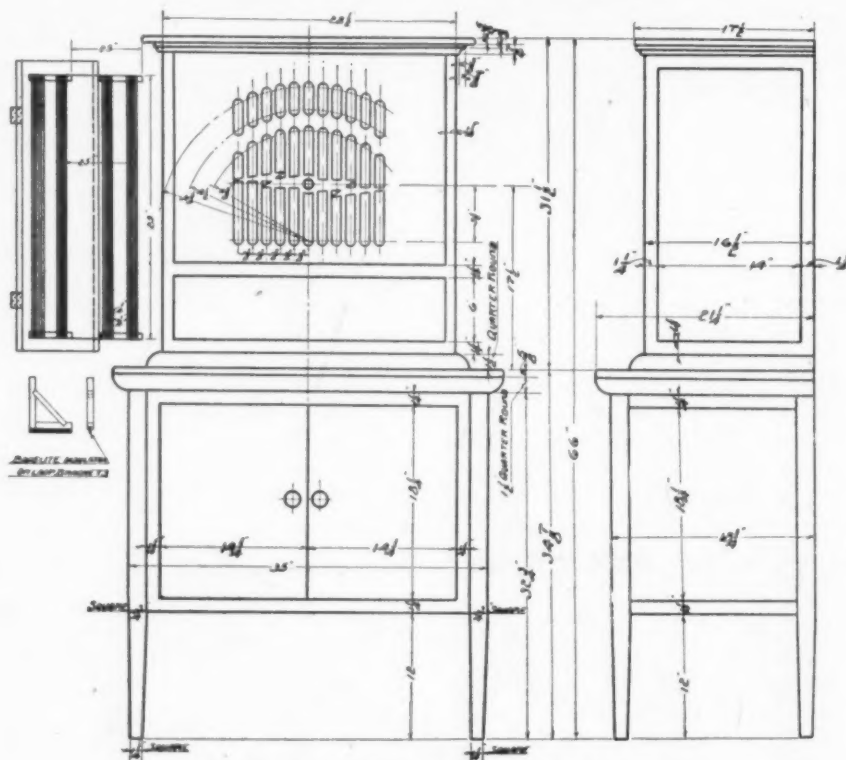
The actual procedure in taking readings using the thermocouple and galvanometer method is to set the oscillator near the closed end of the parallel wires and then slide the shunting link with the thermocouple along the wires, starting near the closed end, until the first point of maximum current is found. This point is marked and the next point found, and the distance between these points measured in meters. This distance in meters is the term  $L$  in the formula and is approximately equal to

one-half of the wavelength of the oscillator.

Another point in taking accurate measurements, the parallel wires should not extend out more than a quarter of a wavelength beyond the second maximum current point for best results. A convenient method of moving the points of maximum current along the wires without changing the distance between them is to connect a small variable condenser across near the shorted coupling end of the wires. If the resistance of this condenser is negligible the effect in causing any error in the measured distances will be negligible. However for precision work no condenser should be used because the resistance of any condenser at such high frequencies is liable to be very high. It is necessary to put an extension shaft and knob on the wave-meter dial so that it may be adjusted from a distance.



Radio Cabinet for Best's 45,000 Cycle Super-Heterodyne, Constructed by W. G. Varney, Dover, N. H.



Constructional Details of Mr. Varney's Cabinet



# Modifications of Best's 45,000 Cycle Super-Heterodyne

*By Thomas L. Kennon*

**T**HE sensitivity and selectivity of the 45,000 cycle super-heterodyne can be increased by careful manipulation of several additional controls which I have devised for this purpose. While these add such complications in the construction and operation of the set that they should be tried only by an experienced person, results have justified the changes. I claim loud speaker reception of ESP, Paris, 2LO, London, and Buenos Aires on a loop in California.

The modifications include the use of "A" tubes in all but the three stages of I. F. amplification, the addition of two filament rheostats (one in the oscillator circuit with a milliammeter and one

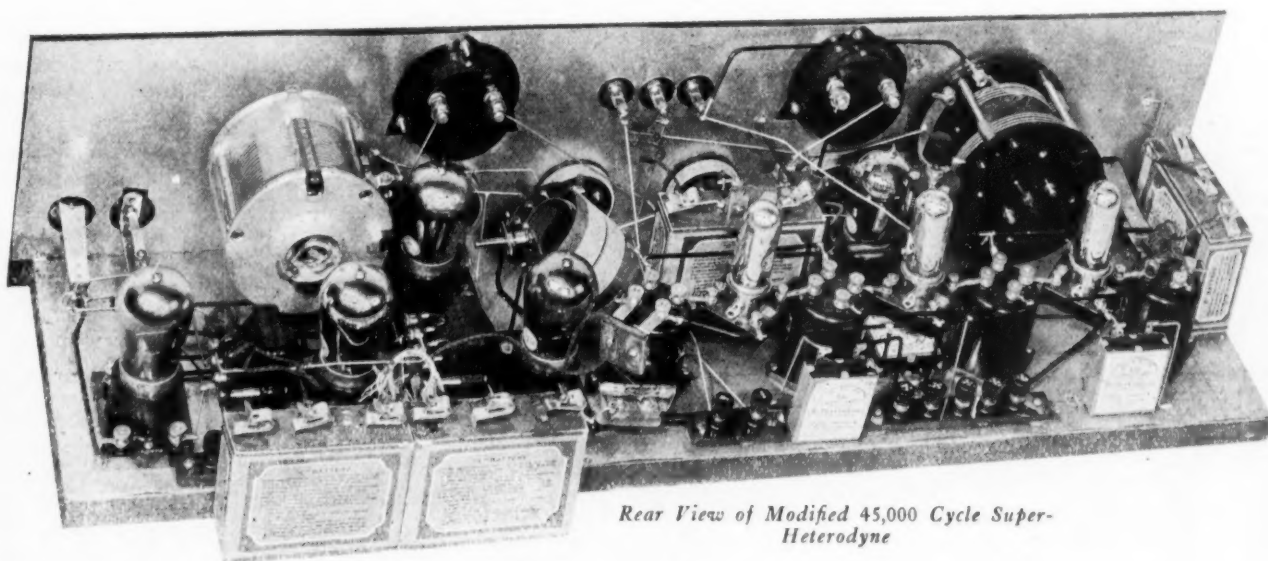
in the detector circuit with voltmeter), the use of a  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{1}{2}$  volt *C* battery in series with a center tap of the loop, and push-pull amplifier in the second audio stage. A complete system of shielding is employed and panel control is provided for the Midget feed-back condenser and oscillator coupler.

This ser, unlike the original, requires a storage battery for filament supply, the voltage for the small tubes being kept down by a Cutler-Hammer resistance in series with the rheostat, with a voltmeter shunted across the filaments. The oscillator plate voltage has been found to be best at 90 volts. All shielding is connected to the  $-A$  and all  $-A$  leads

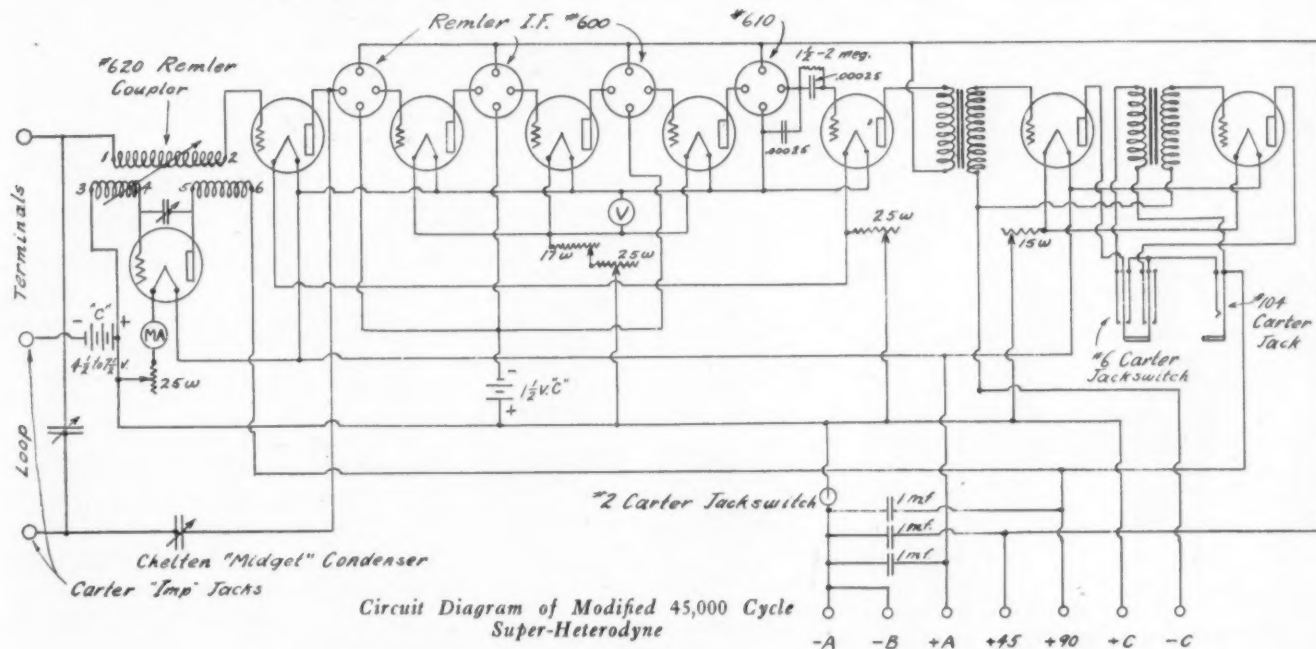
are taken from the shielding thus considerably shortening the wiring. All leads are made as short as possible.

The additional parts required over and above those originally specified by Mr. Best are a larger panel, (7x31x $\frac{1}{4}$ ), a larger baseboard (8x30x $\frac{1}{2}$ ), vernier dials for the condensers, a 0-300 milliammeter, two 25-ohm rheostats, C-H 25-ohm variable resistance condenser and aluminum sheet for shielding.

Constructional directions, other than as shown in the schematic wiring diagram, are unnecessary to anyone having sufficient skill to undertake to make these changes in the original layout.



*Rear View of Modified 45,000 Cycle Super-Heterodyne*



# Rebuilding the CR-9 for Short Wave Reception

Structural Changes Giving an Unusually Efficient Receiver

By R. McGinnis, 8DJT

**M**ANY a good receiver, which will not oscillate below 200 meters, can be rebuilt so as to receive the short waves now being used by amateurs and radiocasters. Among these is the Grebe CR-9 which is the favorite of many amateurs for DX work. Its effective wave range lies between 185 and 3,000 meters. Desiring to get the lower wavelengths I determined to rebuild the set.

The left hand coil is removed entirely from the set, but the right hand coil is left intact except for the removal of all except 21 turns. On removing these turns, start from the center of the frame and remove them carefully one by one. Great care must be used so as not to displace the turns not removed from the stator frame.

Next revolve the tickler into such a position that, working from the center

Under the variometer frame will be found a connection from the shield to the positive *A* of the detector socket. Remove this and replace with a lead from the end of the coil to which the rotary plates of the condenser are attached, to the positive *A* on the detector socket. A lead is then run from the grid condenser and leak to the other end of this coil. By connecting the outermost end of the stator coil, or the end next to the sockets, to the grid condenser and leak, the lead will be found to be very short. In my case this lead did not exceed 2 in. in length.

A coil of five turns of heavy insulated wire, such as No. 2 d.c.c., wound on a 4 in. tube, then removed and bound with thread to make it self supporting, constitutes the primary circuit. This is untuned and receives its energy by shock excitation. Leads are run the coil ends to the aerial and ground posts on the panel.

Although some may differ in the placing of the primary coil relative to its inductive relation to the secondary coil, I found that with my antenna system and proximity to natural "Q.R.M." the coil worked best when placed against the left hand side of the variometer frame with its windings running parallel to those of the secondary coil. Oscillations were more easily controlled due to the loose coupling thereby produced and tuning was extremely sharpened. For the complete hook-up, consult the sketches. Nothing is unusual in the circuit, it being the common two circuit regenerative with tickler feedback.

If your Grebe is one of the first released, resistance of the secondary circuit may be considerably reduced by removing the excess insulation in the end plates of the condenser as shown in Fig. 2. This will be found unnecessary if your set is of the late design as this loss has been taken care of by the manufacturer.

These changes do not involve any alteration of the amplifier. The detector seems to work best with 30 volts on the plate of a hard tube.

Reception of short waves can be secured with the Best 45,000 cycle superheterodyne by some slight changes in the oscillator-coupler. For wavelengths from 50 to 200 meters remove all but 12 turns on each side of the center tap of the stator and take off 5 turns from the grid coil.

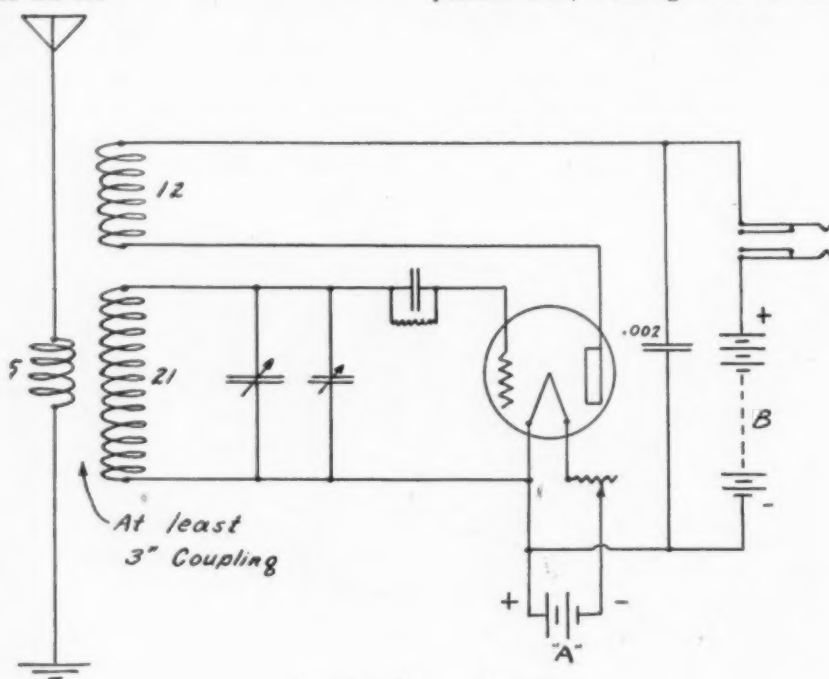


Fig. 1. Wiring Diagram

I first removed the bank wound coil attached to the variometer form by unscrewing the four bolts holding it. This coil may be saved for future use, but holds no place in the set about to be built. Next all the taps were carefully unsoldered from the coil just removed. These, too, are not of any use in the new tuner. By exerting a little pressure on the left hand stator coil of the variometer, it may be released from the frame.

of the ball out on both sides, turns may be removed until there are but six on each half of the rotor. Connect these windings together as they were previously.

The connections to the variable condenser are then removed. From the rotary plates, connect a lead to the stator coil which still remains fastened in the variometer frame. From the stator plates of the condenser, connect a lead to the other end of this coil.

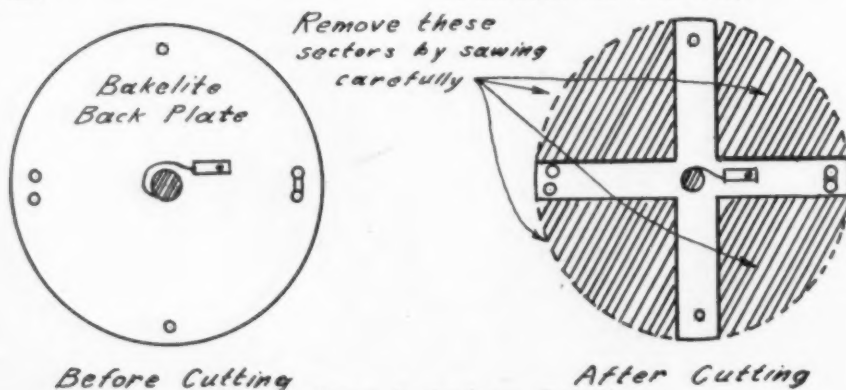


Fig. 2. Change in Condenser End Plates





In the circuit diagram for the Improved 45,000 cycle super-heterodyne published in January RADIO, condenser C<sub>5</sub> .0025 mfd. capacity is shown connected from the secondary of the tuned transformer to the plate of the detector tube. Is this correct?—A. R. F., Los Angeles, Calif.

This condenser is not connected as you describe, if you will examine the diagram carefully. The condenser is tied between the plate and the positive filament of the detector, thereby shunting the primary of the first audio transformer and the B battery. In the text, mention is made of shunting the primary of the transformer only, but it was

I would like to have the circuit diagram of an inexpensive 5 watt transmitter, which could be adapted to the use of

A good circuit for a 5 watt transmitter, employing either a 350 volt storage battery, or a rectifier, as desired, is shown in Fig. 2. If the C-301-A tube is used, either a storage battery will have to be provided for lighting the filament, or a filament heating transformer will have to be wound with taps, so that a voltage of either 5 or 8 can be had for the two sizes of tubes. With the C-301-A tube, the plate voltage should never exceed 120 volts.

I am using a 3 tube, 3 circuit receiver, which I tune in with the whistle, but when I turn back the tickler, I get no volume. I might add that the whistles are very strong. How can the volume be increased?—A. F., Canton, Ill.

Apparently you are a strong member of the "blooper" fraternity. Every time you tune in a station by causing the detector to oscillate, you are contributing a loud whistle to the others in your neighbors' receiving sets. The best method to avoid making such interference is to mark the dial settings for the different stations on a chart, and then you will not have to use the tickler coil each time to find the station again. If the set does not regenerate well, but oscillates when the tickler coupling is close, you may have a fixed condenser of the wrong capacity bridged across the primary of the first audio frequency transformer. The detector tube may be old and has lost most of its electronic emission.

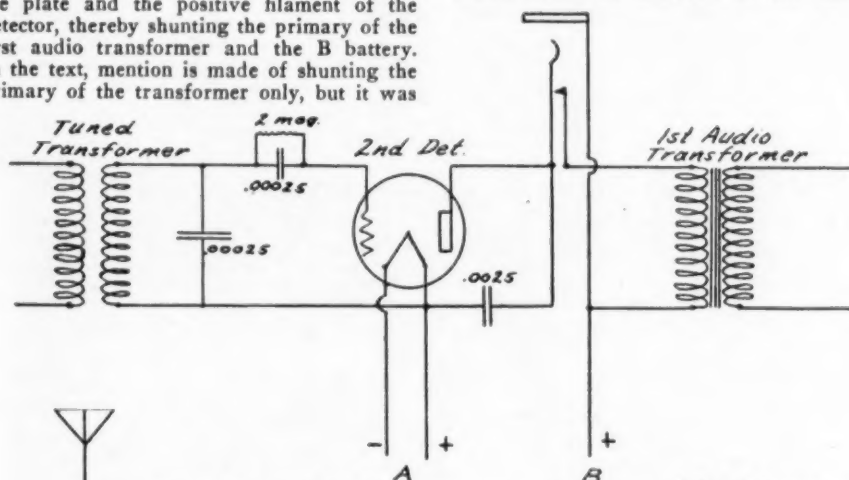
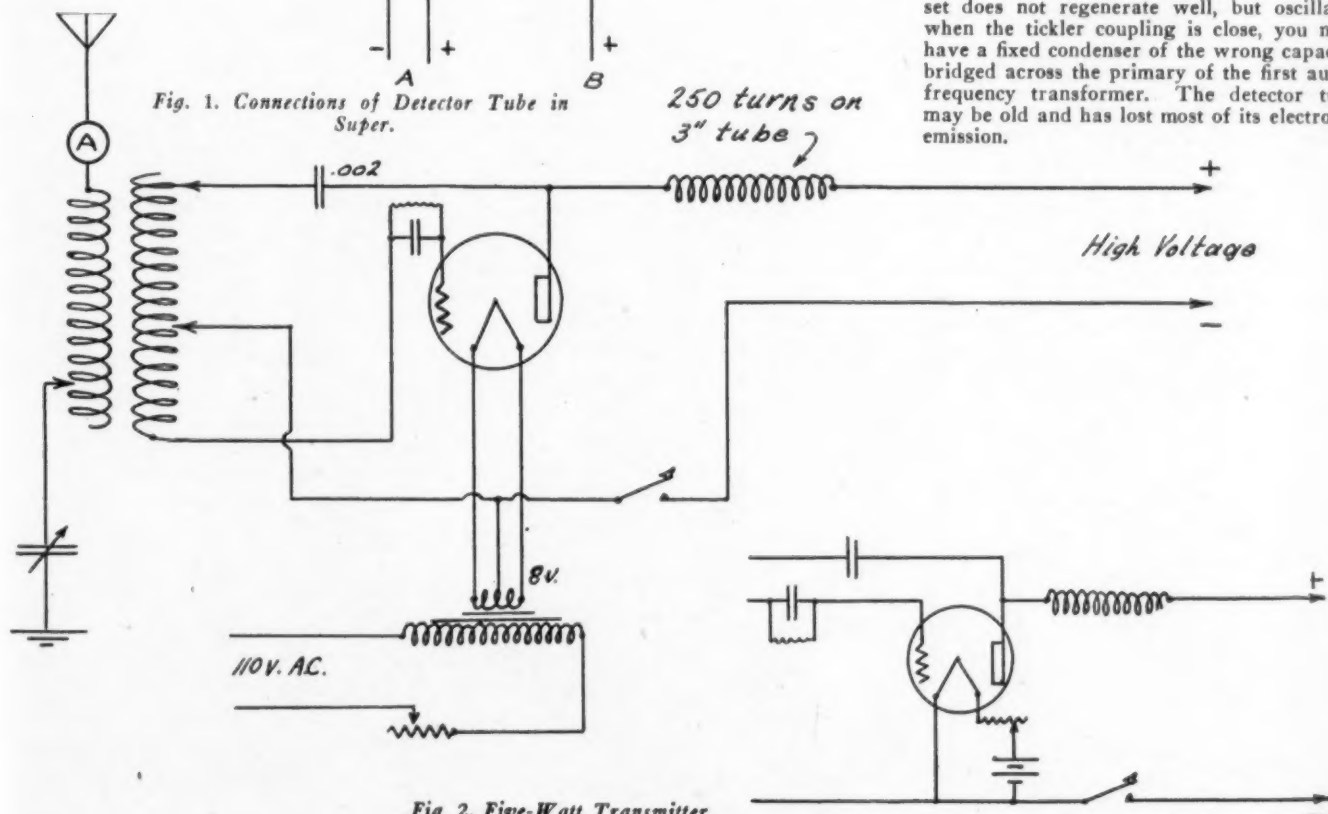
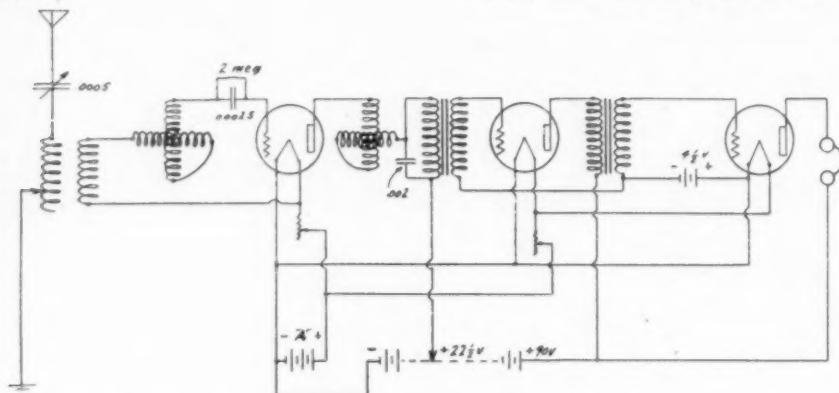


Fig. 1. Connections of Detector Tube in Super.



**Fig. 2. Five-Watt Transmitter.**

I have a plate variometer with load coil attached, a grid variometer, and a variocoupler. Would spiderweb coils be superior to the above? Please publish a circuit for either of the above sets of coils, with a two stage audio frequency amplifier.—W. S. M., El Monte, Calif.



The coils you have are for the more or less obsolete three circuit regenerative tuner with variometer control. We are showing the circuit as requested, in Fig. 3. We doubt if the spiderweb coils would be any better, if as good, as the apparatus you now have.

Could a one stage radio frequency amplifier be added to the Improved 45-000 cycle Super-Heterodyne described in January RADIO?—D. G., San Francisco, Calif.

It is a relatively simple procedure to add a single stage of transformer coupled radio frequency amplification to the set, although the results obtained would not be appreciably greater than with the standard arrangement unless an extra high grade transformer was used. In Fig. 4 the arrangement of apparatus for the special amplifier, 1st detector and oscillator is shown, the rest of the circuit being omitted on account of lack of space.

Which would be the best method of increasing the range of my crystal set? Adding an audio stage, replacing the crystal with a tube, or adding a radio stage? Would a one-tube reflex circuit be satisfactory?—J. V. R., Glassport, Pa.

A single tube reflex receiver would be the best combination you could use. This circuit has been so popular with our readers that we are reproducing it again, in Fig. 5, although it was published a few months ago. A good grade of tuned radio frequency transformer should be used, and an audio fre-

quency transformer of low turns ratio, preferably 2:1, will give the best tone quality.

Can the Interference eliminator described in January RADIO be used in connection with a Neutrodyne receiver. Will this increase the range of the set?—B. F. S., Oakland, Calif.

Interference eliminators, taken as a whole,

are unreliable, apparently working well on one set, or type of set, and proving of no use on other sets, in the same location. Most interference eliminators cut down on the signal strength in the same proportion that they cut down the interference and consequently are of no value. One of our contemporaries recently conducted a contest for an interference eliminator that was a success. The contest was a failure, as out of the hundreds of devices submitted, not one could pass the tests which a good interference eliminator should be able to pass. Our suggestion is to try the interference eliminator on your set, as only a practical trial will tell you whether it will be of assistance, or not.

Please print a diagram of how to build a transmitter using one UV-201-A tube.—C. W. L., Syracuse, N. Y.

This hook-up is shown in Fig. 2.

I have a Ware Neutrodyne receiver. Below 400 meters it does not work. Is there any way I can increase the volume? I am using UV-199 tubes and 3 dry cells for the A battery. Could I substitute some other tube and increase the number of dry cells?—W. H. C., Freehold, N. J.

If you cannot tune below 400 meters, something is wrong with the neutrodyne transformers. Examine each of them to see if there is not a short circuited turn somewhere, as that sort of trouble would surely cause weak signals. We doubt if the trouble is in the tubes, and the set should give you good results without making a change in type of

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Fig. 3. Three-Circuit Regenerative Tuner with Variometer Control.

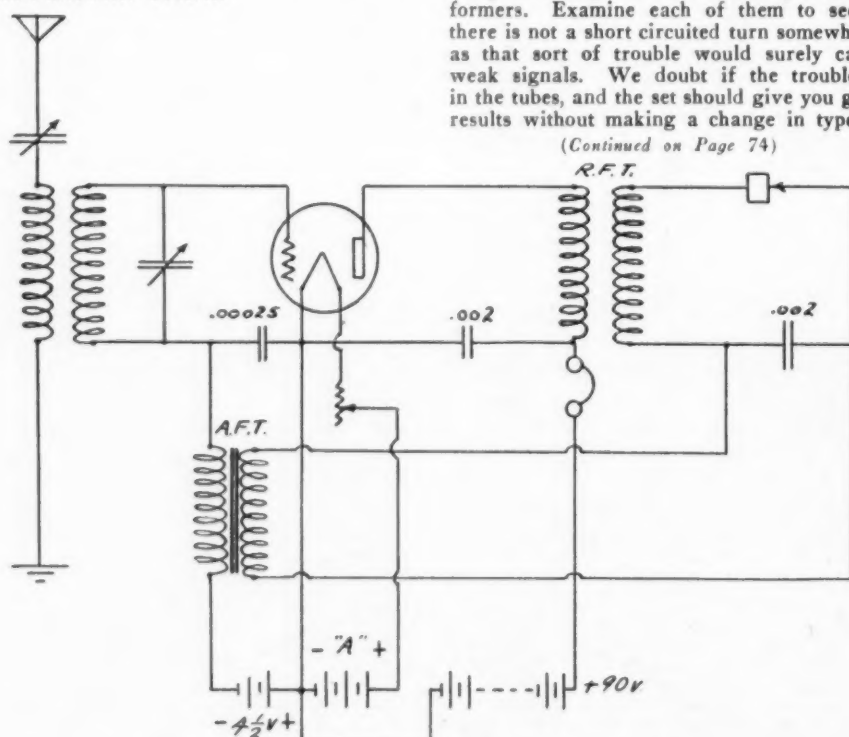


Fig. 5. Single Tube Reflex.

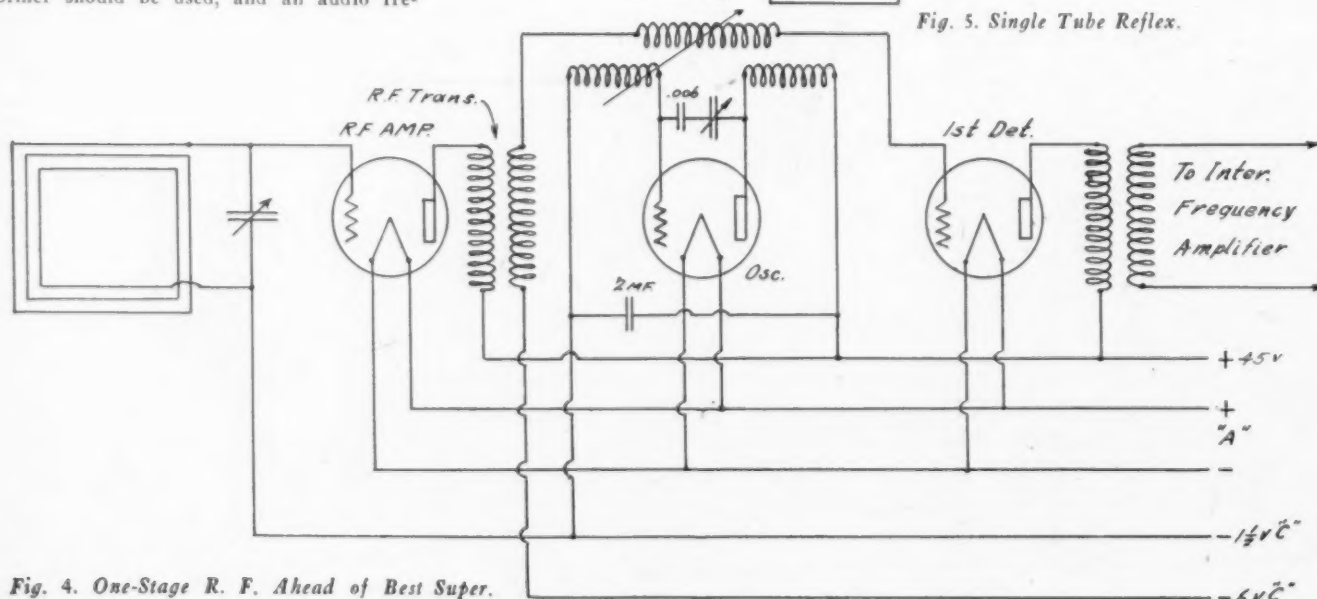


Fig. 4. One-Stage R. F. Ahead of Best Super.



# With the Amateur Operators

## AUSTRALIAN 3 BQ

Australian station 3BQ operated by Max Howden at Box Hill, Victoria, has not only established two-way communication with British G2OD but has also worked a large number of U. S. stations as shown by the cards in the picture. The transmitter circuit is a 3-coil series fed Meissner. Plate supply at 1500 volts is secured from a home-made transformer and is rectified by 104 jars electrolytic and a Philips Z tube passing about 100 milliamps.

The aerial is a 50 ft. 5-wire cage suspended between two 80 ft. masts. A 5-wire tapering cage lead-in, 80 ft. long, comes from the center of the horizontal cage and is connected to the set by 1x1/16 in. copper strip. The counterpoise consists of six 100 ft. wires on 15 ft. spreaders, the wires being bunched at the center to form a double fan. The receiver consists of detector and one stage of audio.

## 6XAD BACK ON THE AIR

Lawrence Mott, 6XAD-62W has returned to Catalina from a trip to Washington and New York and is again transmitting and receiving. While in the East he saw many new developments in the Western Electric, R. C. A. and Naval laboratories and stations. He expects to have a 2KW water-cooled W. E. tube on the air in a short time. Stations worked during December and not previously reported include:

1abf, 1acb, 1yb, 1se, 1ry, 1bep, 1cab, 1lg, 1ii 2bir, 2bcm, 2atf, 3cyx, 2cqi, 2kx, 2acs, 2acs,

2cel, 2rk, 2kx, 2cgo, 2cyq, 3ccu, 3adq, 3bwj, 3du, 5aqy, 5kr, 7jr, 7dd, 8dfm, 8bdu, 8aly, 8doo, 8dfm, 8dki, 8ben, 8cse, 8doi, 8ect, 8bzd, 8dga, 8axf, 8dal, 8bcu, 8bpl, 8ry, 9dhg, 9cy, 9afy, 9ash, 9ddk, 9dhl, 8dia.

## WORK WITH AUSTRALASIA

By 6AWT  
FOR JANUARY

Date	Worked	Time
January 7	Z-2AC	12:27 A.M.
" 14	Z-2AC	1:42 "
" 15	Z-4AK	1:55 "
" 17	Z-2AC	12:54 "
" 17	Z-2AP	2:12 "
" 18	Z-4AK	1:08 "
" 18	Z-4AA	1:52 "
" 18	Z-4AA	3:00 "
" 18	A-2GQ	4:36 "
" 18	A-3BD	5:31 "
" 19	Z-2AC	12:22 "
" 19	Z-2AE	1:21 "
" 19	Z-4AA	2:20 "
" 20	Z-4AA	2:12 "
" 21	Z-2AP	12:24 "
" 21	Z-2AP	12:24 "
" 21	Z-2AC	1:07 "
" 22	Z-2AC	6:09 "
" 24	Z-2AC	12:28 "
" 24	Z-2AP	12:54 "
" 26	Z-2AC	12:40 "
" 21	WJS*	12:40 "

\*The Rice Expedition at Boa Vista, Rio Branco, Brazil.

8ATX is a 15-watt station on 160 meters, at 508 N. Market St., Canton, Ohio, operated by Donald Cordray who will QSL all cards.

8VE, formerly 8ZAH, is using one 50-watter with an advance synchronous rectifier on 79 meters at 5306 Westminister Place, Pittsburg, Pa. Cards always acknowledged.

8ZE with one W.E. 50-watter (Meissner Ckt.) on 77-80 meters worked 35 West Coast stations and was copied in Europe, Australia and New Zealand during the month. Will be glad to arrange tests or schedules. Would appreciate reports on signals and will QSL all cards.

6CVE is the portable call of 6BJX, E. O. Knoch, 2823 E. 6th St., Los Angeles, Calif. "6BJX for a REAL QSR" is the station motto.

2AGI is operated by Karl Rossbach, 620 Wyoming Ave, Elizabeth, N. J.



By 8ZE-8GX, Oberlin College, E. W. Thatcher, Oberlin, Ohio.

6aao, 6ac, 6adt, (6afg), (6agk), 6aha, (6ahp), 6alb, (6alq), (6ajh), 6akw, 6alk, 6alo, (6ame), (6amo), (6apw), 6aqd, 6arb, (6arx), 6ats, (6awt), 6bb, (6bdt), 6bgc, (6bjj), 6bjx, (6blw), 6bnu, 6bny, (6bqw), 6ca, 6can, 6eg, (6ego), (6chl), (6cix), 6civ, 6cla, (6cmi), (6cni), 6crx, (6css), (6csw), 6cvm, 6ea, (6eb), 6gc, (6gt), 6lj, 6ne, (6of), (6ol), 6ol, 6pl, (6rm), (6ts), 6vs, 6vo, 6xl, (6zpj), 7abb, (7afn), 7afo, 7agl, 7ahl, (7bj), 7fh, (7fq), (7gb), 7gr, 7lj, 7lx, 7ly, (7ku), 7lq, 7ls, 7mf, 7mp, (7nx), 7ot, 7qd, (7sf), (7sp), 7th, (7zm), C5go, (C5an), C5cn, M-BX, G2nm, G2yt, G5lf, P.R., 4SA, NZ 4AK.

Dalite—(6ol), 6zw, (?), 7qd, 7abb.

By Can., 3DU, 424 Horton Street, London Ontario, Can.

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Canadians: 1ae, 1ar, 1dd, 1el, 2az, 2cg, 2cl, 2dn, 2fl, 2fo, 3aec, 3aeg, 3afp, 3cg, 3gq, 3kq, 3ly, 3qj, 3tf, 3zt, 4cr, 4fz, 5go, 9al, 9bg.

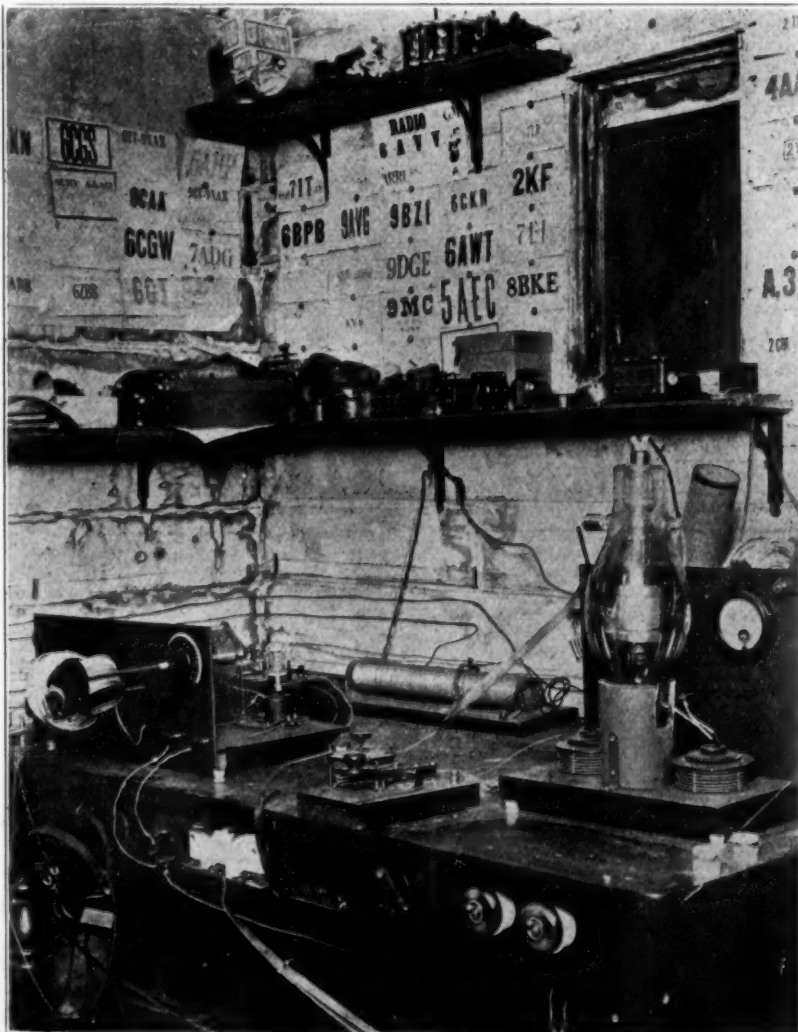
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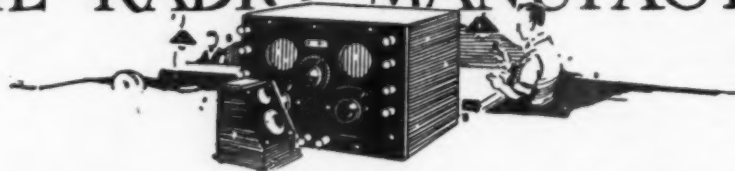
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Australian 3 B. Q.

# FROM THE RADIO MANUFACTURERS



A new 2-amp. Tungar battery charger from the General Electric Co. is so compact that it can be made a part of a radio set inside the cabinet. It charges a six-volt *A* battery at a 2-ampere rate and 24, 28, 72 or 96 volt *B* batteries at any rate up to  $\frac{1}{4}$  amp.



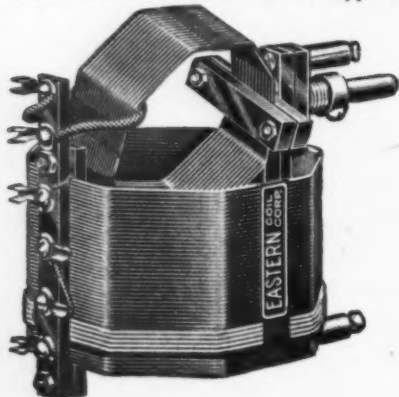
without disconnecting the batteries. There is no connection between the 110 volt a. c. supply and the low voltage charging current, an insulating type of transformer being used. This also eliminates danger of grounding the electric light current through the radio set with consequent damage to equipment and possible fire hazard. All bulb connections are brought out through the base.

The MacFadden B-power generator is a half-wave rectifier using one "A" tube and supplies sufficient current for plate supply to as many as six tubes. With its associated



filter it delivers a constant flow of direct current, under perfect voltage regulation and control, when supplied with 110 volt a. c. With a W. E. 216- A tube 60 milli-amperes is obtainable, sufficient for a ten-tube set.

The Eastern low loss coupler combines in one device a primary, secondary and feedback coil. The coils are self-supporting



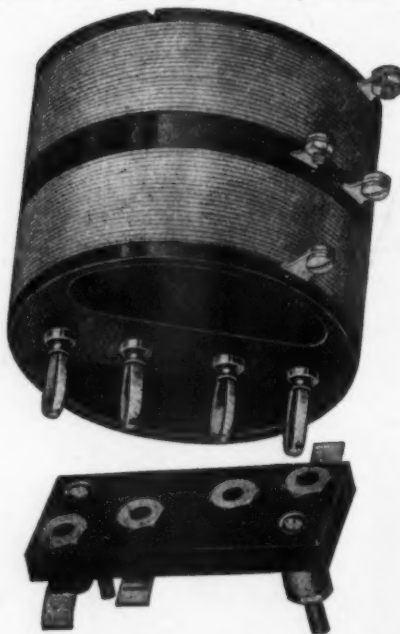
without tube, and are closely wound in octagonal form to give maximum inductance and minimum distributed capacity. The No. 18 coil is double silk-covered and wound without shellac. It has low leakage losses and low conductive resistance. It is made in two types: 40 to 200 meter and 200 to 600 meters.

The Mohawk receiver, previously described in these columns, is now available in either a standard table type consolette as illustrated, or in a console. Both are built with



a self-contained loud speaker on top, the consolette with space for *B* batteries and the console with space for *B* batteries, *A* battery and charger. The cabinets are made of 5-ply mahogany in Italian Renaissance style. The receiver has one-dial control and uses two stages of tuned radio frequency, detector and two stages of audio.

The General Radio interchangeable low loss coil, type 277, has known wavelength ranges and inductance values and is adaptable to many experimental purposes. It is provided with a mounting strip with four holes, whereby it may be readily attached to



a panel,—bracket or mounting base. Thus it is possible to interchange coils as easily as vacuum tubes. Model 277A with 15 turns and 0.14 has a wavelength range from 50 to 150 meters. Type 277B with 30 turns and .055 mh, from 100 to 300 meters, and Type

277C with 60 turns and .217 mh. from 200 to 600 meters. By using the Model 277C with the General Radio Type 247F and H condensers, having specially shaped plates, and a Type 313 dial, wavelengths in meters may be accurately read from 200 to 600 meters. With the B and A models it is necessary to divide the readings by 2 and 4 respectively. These models may be used interchangeably as a super-heterodyne oscillator for the shorter wavelengths. Other models may be used as antenna coupling coils, coupling transformers for tuned radio frequency, or input tuning coils.

The Bosch Nobattery is a device supplying any plate voltage from 15 to 150 volts d. c. at will when the socket is plugged into a 110-120 volt, 50-60 cycle a. c. circuit. This allows the use of either hard or soft detector



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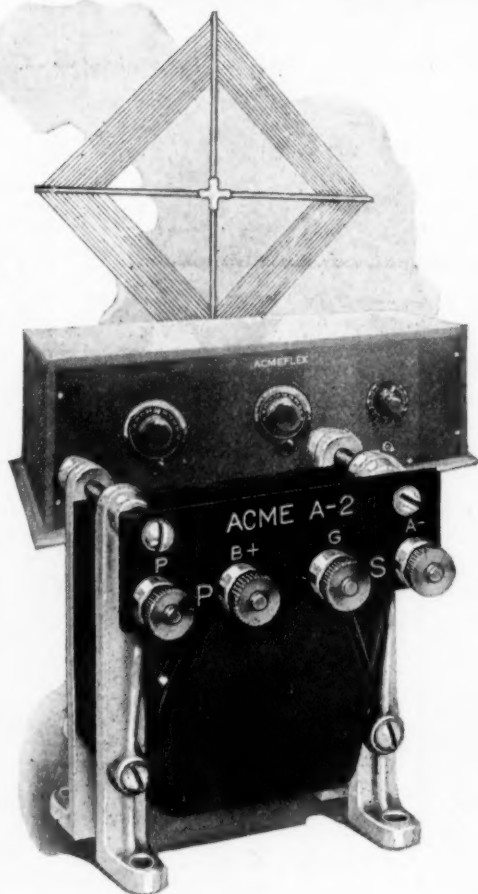
The General Instrument Noloss Insolanite Socket has extra large sterling silver contacts arranged so as to be self wiping. The contacts are fixed to heavy phosphor bronze springs insuring a firm, low-resistance connection. The spring members are



each made of two leaves and are placed to minimize internal capacity. Permanent soldered connections are made to main phosphor bronze spring, at the same time serving as a lug or temporary connections may be made to nuts provided for this purpose.



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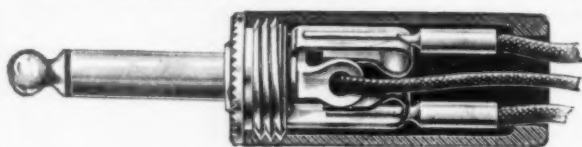
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Mexican: BX, 1e, 1b, 1k.

British: 2od, 2nm, 2kf, 6aq.

9amx always QSL's.

By 6BBV, J. Barsby, 1511 1/2 Common  
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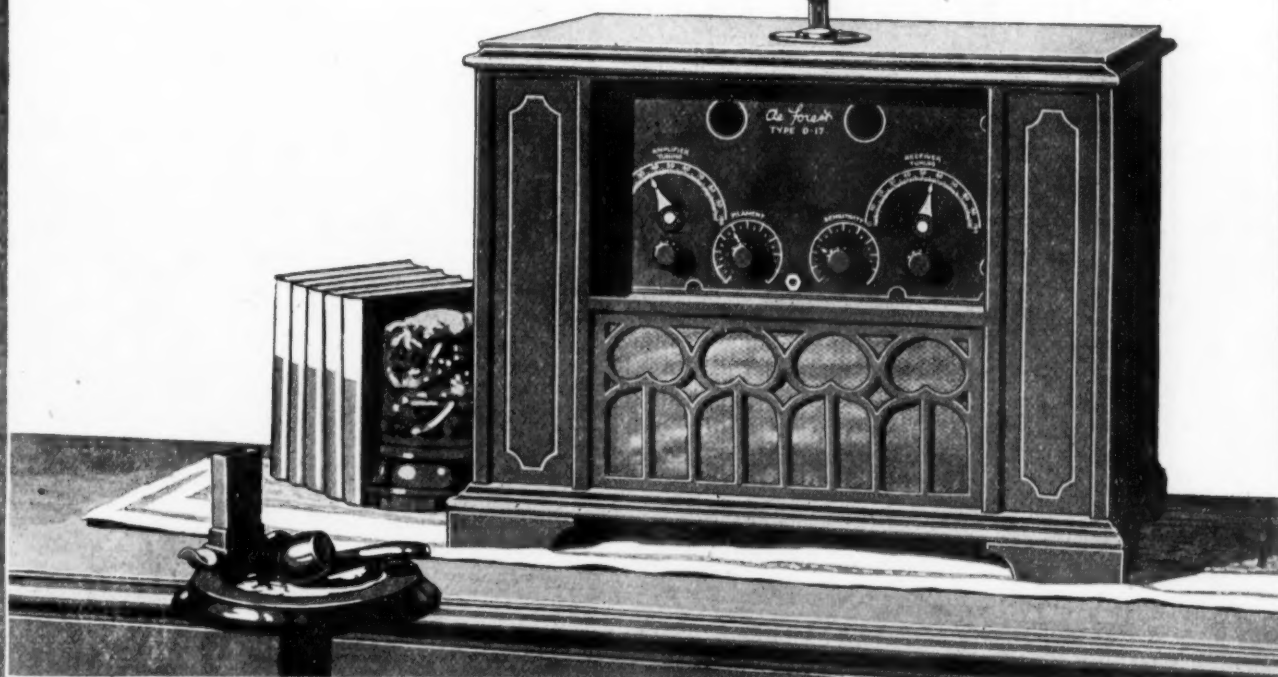
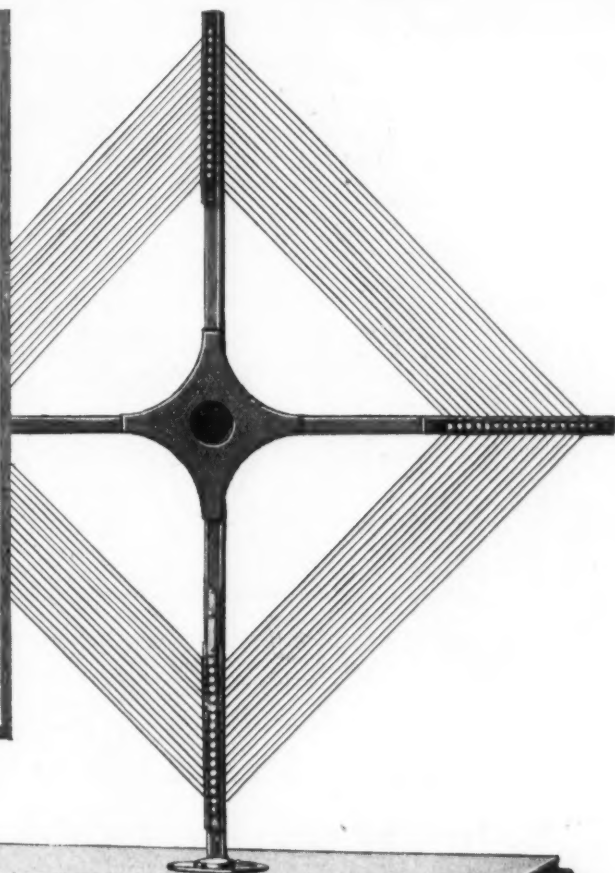
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Mexican: 1b.

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Foreign: LPX, gra?, pse qsl.

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Argentine: MAL.

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Canadian: 1ar, 1bq, 1dd, (2ax), (3ly), (3tb), 4dq, 5gf.

Cuban: DZ.

British: 2kf, 2od, 2sz.

Mexican: 1b, bx.

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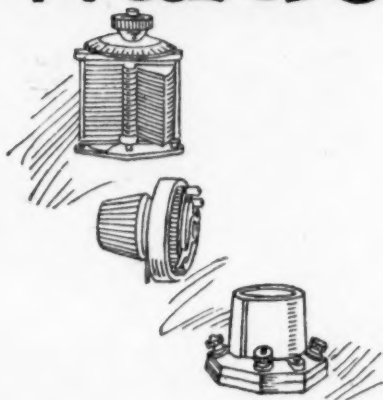




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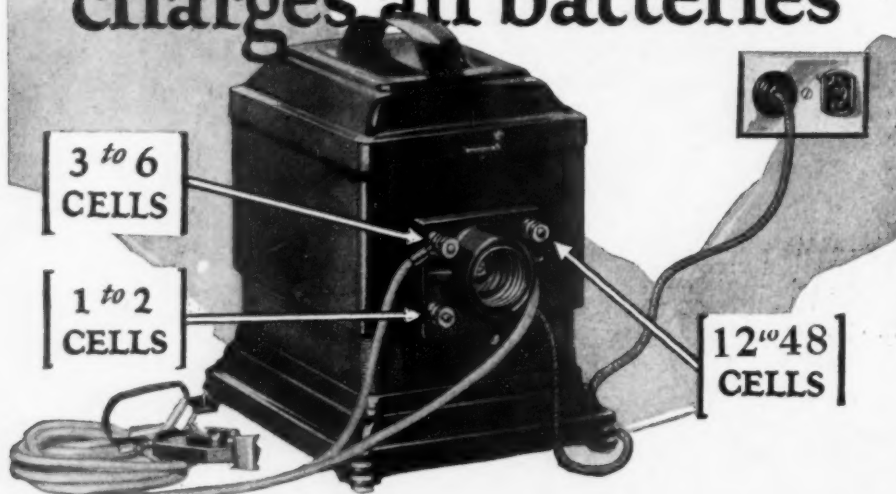
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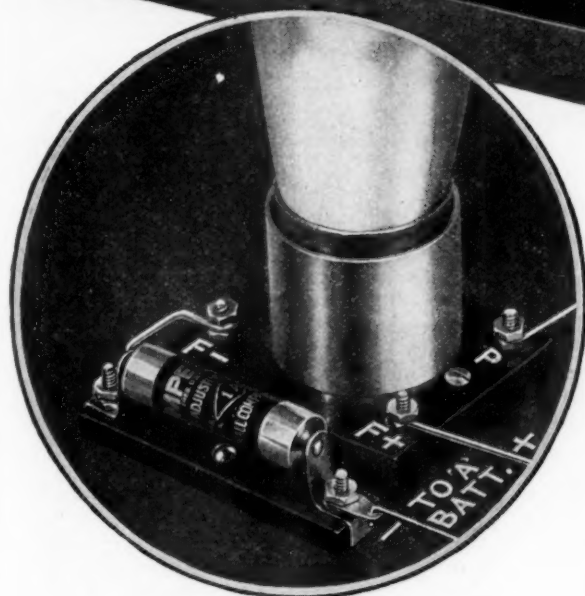
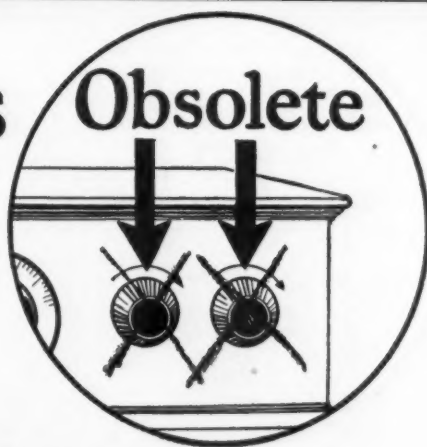
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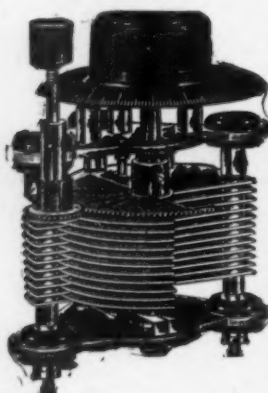
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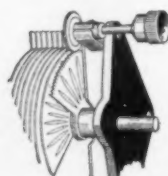


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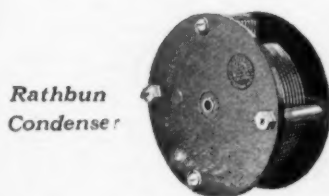
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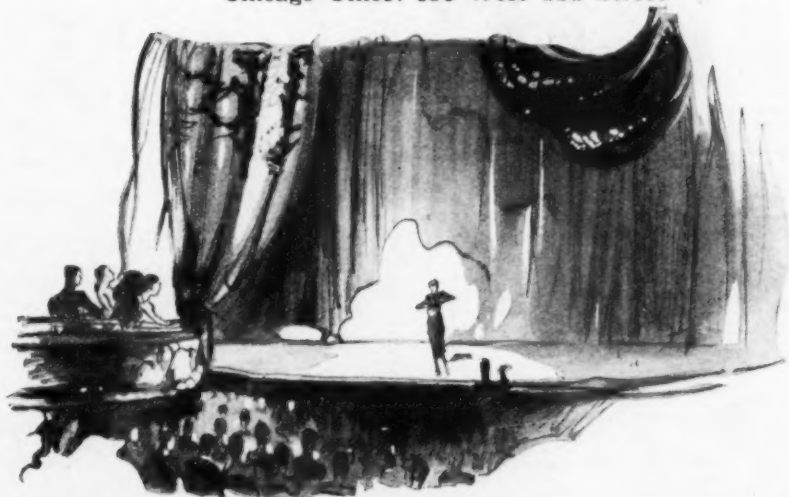
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As another example of a radiocast station CNRA, at Moncton, New Brunswick, may be quoted. This station is broadly modelled upon the lines of the mother radio station at Ottawa, but incorporating all the improvements and refinements which experience with the Ottawa installation revealed as contributing to higher efficiency and more perfect and greater radiation. Certainly it is one of the most powerful and best equipped stations in the whole of the Dominion. The aerial is supported upon two steel towers, each 150 ft. in height, and spaced 200 ft. apart. They are of the quadrilateral type, colloquially known as the "Eiffel Tower" from their resemblance to the famous landmark of steel forming such an important radio station in the capital of France. At the base the legs are spaced 34 ft. apart, and taper to about 3 ft. apart at the top. Each leg is bolted to a solid block of concrete, measuring 5 ft. each way and buried to a depth of 5 ft. in the ground. This monolith of 25 cu. ft. weighs 15,500 pounds, and as there are four of these massive blocks to each tower the complete anchorage for the steel fabric, to assure the necessary degree of stability, scales 31 tons.

The towers are set upon the lawn at Moncton railway station between the tracks and the general office building. They are so disposed as to come upon a line roughly drawn from Sydney, Nova Scotia, through Moncton, to Montreal.

The operating room, in which the

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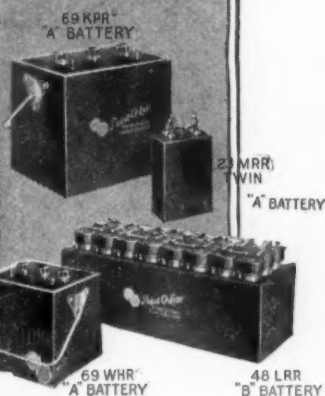


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	4	1 UV-200 3 UV-201A	1¾	611 RHR	21
	5	UV-201A	1¼	69 WHR	17
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	6	UV-201A	1½	611 RHR	13
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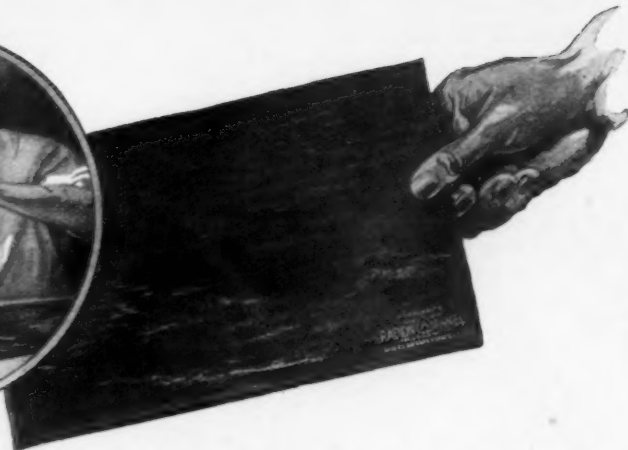
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whole of the electrical apparatus is housed, is upon the third floor of the general offices; while the studio is placed in a suitable building in the town within easy reach of the transmitting station. This arrangement has been adopted for convenience and to ensure the requisite freedom from disturbance by extraneous noises capable of detracting from clear transmission. The control, therefore, is of the remote type.

The main radiation is given from the western end of the aerial for the reason that it points towards the greatest receiving zone extending through the New England States, and the populous territories distributed along the St. Lawrence River and the Atlantic seaboard. Although a certain measure of directional transmission is thus forthcoming it is not to the detriment of clear, long-range transmission to other points of the compass as radio enthusiasts throughout the three Maritime Provinces from Halifax to the Gaspé Peninsula, Glace Bay to St. John, and from Yarmouth to Prince Edward Island have been able to testify. Even residents from Anticosti Island, along the Labrador shore and in Newfoundland have been able to pick up the Moncton signals. Another point of particular satisfaction to the Department is that Moncton has proven itself capable of being picked up far out at sea and has bridged the Atlantic ocean to be heard in various parts of the British Isles.

One other feat in which Calgary shared honors with Moncton was an inter-station communication between these two points, each being received at the other city, an air line distance of approximately 2,200 miles. In the development of the radio program of the system there was another important feature to be considered. At the beginning all of the various stations used different call letters, none of which had any relationship to the railway. It was desired to use the call letters CNR because these are the initial letters of the words that go to make up the name of the Canadian National Railways, but it was soon discovered that the call letters CNR had been allotted to the Government of Morocco. It was decided to ask Morocco to relinquish these call letters. That required continued and delicate diplomatic action and through the happy co-operation of the Federal Government of the Dominion of Canada, the British Foreign Office and the French Government this proved successful and permission was granted for the Canadian National Railways to use the initials CNR. To these letters were added another indicative of the place of broadcast. For instance Montreal has CNRM, Ottawa, CNRO; Toronto, CNRT; Calgary, CNRC; Winnipeg, CNRW; Edmonton, CNRE; Regina, CNRR;

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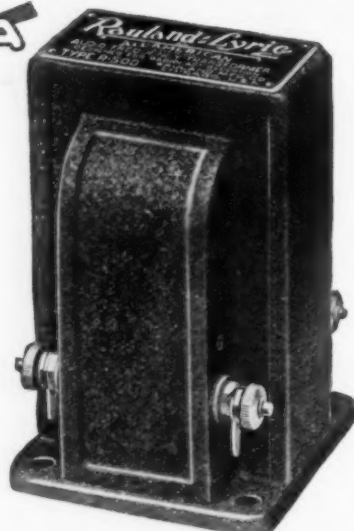
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Saskatoon, CNRS. Difficulty arose in the case of Moncton where, had the same plan been carried out, the call letters would have clashed with those of Montreal. It was decided, therefore, to name Moncton station, CNRA, the "A" symbolizing the Atlantic region of the Canadian National Railways of which Moncton is the headquarters.

Briefly, this is the history of the establishment of the radio service of the Canadian National Railways. But the building of stations and the equipping of trains with receiving sets was only one feature of the work. There had to be a directing policy if the service was not to prove a hit and miss affair. It had to be, moreover, a policy of real service not merely to the company and its patrons, but to the country at large, if it was to justify itself and to retain its popularity. That policy, as it was conceived and as it has been followed, is a policy of service.

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Another important indirect result has been the contentment of those who have to live in sparsely settled districts of the north and west. Most farm houses in Western Canada are now equipped with radio receiving sets. From some of the stations daily quotations of the grain and cattle markets are radiocast and each evening from one or more of the prairie stations the air holds entertainment for those who have the means to listen. The obstacle of distance has been overcome. Geography has been eliminated. The settler on the prairie, the trapper on the mountains and the logger in the woods, no longer have to go to the city. The city comes to them. Only those who have seen for themselves how the dread of isolation has retarded the progress of our development in our West and in our hinterland, can understand the tremendous part that the radio of the Canadian National Railways is playing in the lives of these, the last pioneers.

One more feature alone needs to be mentioned and it has to deal with the value of radio in the administration of the railroad. It is doubtful if even many Canadians understand the magnitude of their National Railway System. It comprises more than 23,000 miles of operated tracks and it touches every province, every capital and every important city and town. But few understand what this 23,000 miles mean. Few know that to travel every foot of that track it would be necessary to remain for practically three weeks on a train traveling without a stop at the rate of fifty miles an hour. That being the case, it is not hard to conceive that some difficulties are experienced by those charged with the administration of the property, in maintaining that personal touch with all officers and employees which is essential in insuring the success of the enterprise. It is beyond the ability of a human being to meet personally every member of such a wide-flung organization numbering more than 110,000 members. In surmounting this difficulty radio has played its part. At regular intervals officers of the company, including the president and his executives, talk to other officers and employees from a radiocast station. The result has been a strengthening of morale, the establishment of an intimacy between distant but co-related portions of the system that is most heartening, and a general improvement of service.

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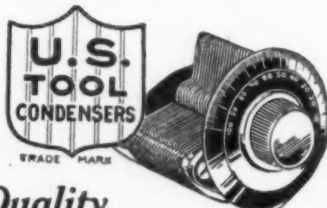
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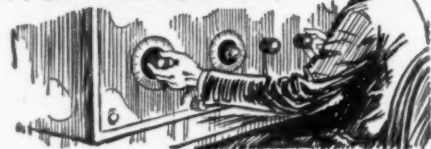
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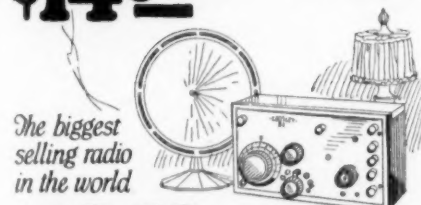
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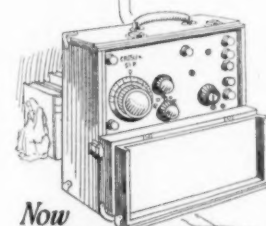
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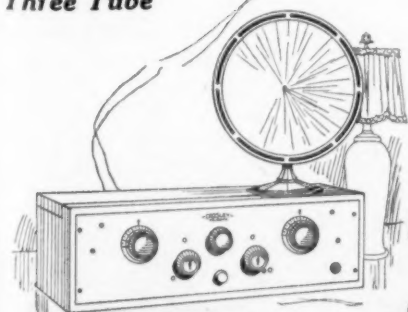
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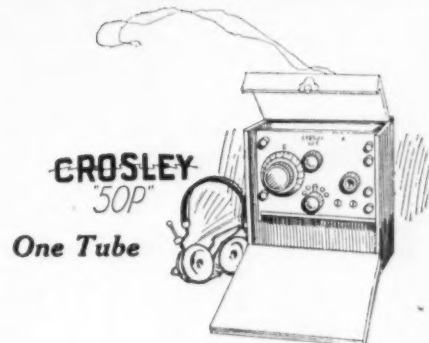
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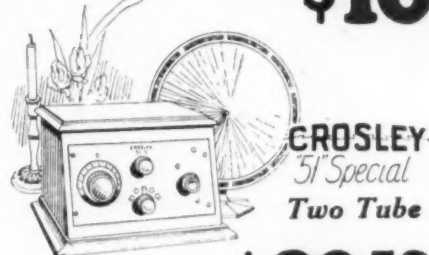
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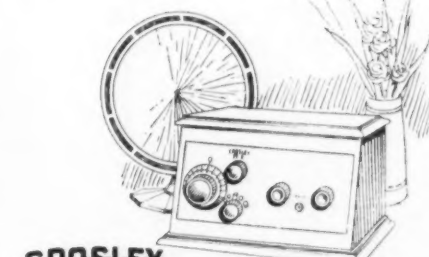
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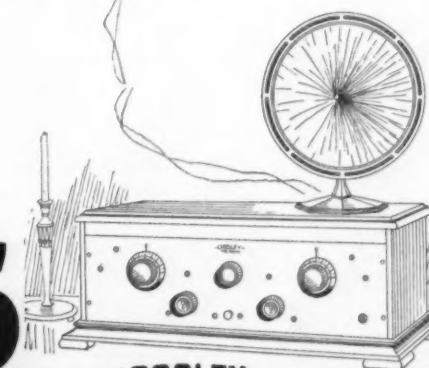
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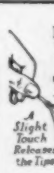
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## A KISS IN THE DARK

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plaining his plan, Willie broke in, "Gosh, that's the best yet. Oh, boy, you sure gotta good one, Jimmy."

For the next twenty minutes they talked and talked, arranging the details of Jimmy's bright idea.

"C'mon over to my place right after school tomorrow afternoon," said Jimmy as he started home, after they had laid their plans.

"All right, and I'll bring Dick's choke coil amplifier with me."

"An' don't forget to meet me at recess tomorrow so's we can get a good bunch of fellers to come around tomorrow night," added Jimmy, stepping out of the door.

Jimmy walked home quickly, but paused when he came to the front porch.

"Gosh," he exclaimed, "That funny faced guy is still here, 'cause she's got all the lights turned down. Guess I'll s'prise them."

Opening the door very gently, he slipped down the hall and through the archway, only to trip himself over a chair.

"What tha Sam Hill!" he muttered. "What's comin' off here, movin' all the furniture out of place?"

"James Watson, you horrid boy!" cried Sister Helen. "How dare you sneak in on us? You go right to bed or I'll —"

With an angry grunt Jimmy left for his room.

Shortly after three o'clock the next afternoon, Willie Smith called softly at the Watson's back door. He had a large bundle in his arms.

"All clear," answered Jimmy. "Ma's not at home, but she may come in any time. Let's make it snappy."

Jimmy kept watch at the front door while Willie busied himself with the work at hand.

"Where can I stick this choke-coil amplifier so's they won't see it?" asked Willie.

"Put it in the fireplace, behind that bunch of ferns. And step on it, kid."

In a few minutes Willie had connected up the amplifier, run one pair of wires to the Watson's receiver, and another downstairs to the cellar. Then he undid the telephone wires, running a pair from the phone to the radio set. Jimmy, his face pressed against the window, kept on the lookout for intruders.

"Let's try it out," suggested Willie after he had finished making the connections. "You sit on the sofa and talk natural and I'll take the loudspeaker downstairs and see how it sounds."

In a few minutes Willie returned, his face all aglow with excitement.

"Works like a million," he announced. "Say, boy, we can charge ten cents instead of a nickel for that show tonight."

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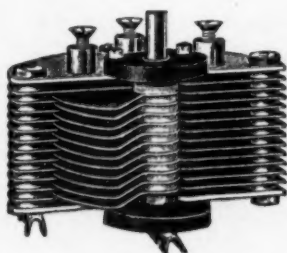
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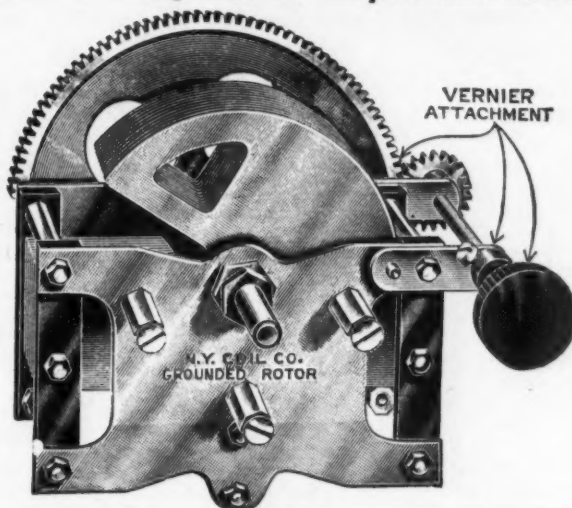
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"Cheese it, Willie," broke in Jimmy. "Here comes somebody. We gotta beat it. C'mon, follow me."

At supper that evening Jimmy did not display his usual appetite. He gulped down a few bits of food, seemingly intent on getting through in a hurry.

"No you don't," announced Papa Watson. "You sit right there until we have all finished. You're not going out tonight, young man."

"Er, a, I don't feel very good tonight. Guess I better go upstairs," said Jimmy, rising from his seat.

"I don't understand what's the matter with him, Herbert," said Mrs. Watson to her husband after Jimmy had left the room. "He's been nervous all day long."

"Probably has a licking coming to him at school," replied Mr. Watson. "Well, if he gets one there, he'll get another when he comes home."

But Jimmy did not go to his room. Just as Papa Watson was talking about Jimmy's getting another one at home, our hero was busy ushering a number of boys down the cellar steps, admonishing everyone to be very quiet. Willie was engaged in collecting ten cents from each youngster entering the large basement.

The two boys had their hands full, getting everybody quietly seated on the various boxes and barrels about the basement. The visitors seemed rather skeptical about the program, especially after parting with a dime apiece.

"Looks like we'll take in enough to buy a new tube for the club's set," said Jimmy to Willie. "There won't be no show, though, if these kids don't keep quiet," he added.

After much persuasion and hard work, Jimmy and Willie got every one quiet and in place. Then Jimmy stepped on a box, assumed a dramatic pose, and addressed the audience:

"Tonight we're going to give you some lessons on how to make love. This is going to be broadcast to you by my sister, Helen Watson, and her feller, Clarence Atherton, from the living room of the Watson home. You gotta keep pretty still because——"

"Ting-a-ling-n ngl!" went the loudspeaker.

"There's the doorbell. Mr. Atherton is now arriving," announced Jimmy.

"Squ-blish! rrrunch!!" came from the horn.

"Mr. Atherton and Miss Watson are now doing the mush."

"Squi-bliss-ss-sh!" Grrrunch," it continued.

"Oh, Clarence, I've missed you so. Kiss me again." "My love, my darling, come to my arms. Twenty long hours have separated us, my Queen." "My hero, my big, big man ——"

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broke in Jimmy. "He'd jump on a chair if he saw a mouse!"

"Sweetheart," the speaker went on, "I've yearned all day for your lips. Tell me again that you love me." "I love you, adore you, worship you, my beloved knight." "Then fly with me, my sweet."

"Hey, pipe down," Jimmy cried as the crowd laughed louder and louder. "You'll ruin the show if you don't cut the noise!"

"Helen, queen of my dreams," came Clarence's voice shakily through the speaker, "Say you will come with me. Let us elope, my love, my —"

"Jumpin' catfish!" Jimmy ejaculated. "They're gonna beat it."

The crowd became deathly still, as the horn went on:

"I'll come for you at midnight tonight. Say you will, dear—say it! Say it!" "Clarence, do you really love me?" "My love is as deep—aye—deeper than the chest of the mighty Hercules!" "Then I shall be ready at midnight. You must go now, dear, for I must get everything ready. You're not giving me much time, you impatient boy!" "Sqi-bl-ish! Grrrunch!"

Then the sound of the door. Then silence.

The listeners in the basement looked at each other blankly. Then Jimmy arose to the occasion.

"We gotta bust this thing up," he announced, "And we wanna do it right."

The crowd listened with open mouths and bated breath.

"We gotta be here half an hour before midnight," continued Jimmy. "All you fellers that can sneak out, meet Willie 'n me behind the fence at eleven thirty. Then we'll all jump up and make a lotta noise, so's to wake everybody up. Then we'll beat it when the folks come out."

After pledging themselves to secrecy, the assembly adjourned until the appointed hour.

THE night was deathly still. The world was quietly sleeping, while the little stars kept watch from above. Suddenly the silence was broken by the doleful midnight toll of the clock in the Watson hallway. Then quiet again.

A light roadster coasted up to the curb and came to a stop. A tall, slender figure climbed out, looked around cautiously, then tiptoed across the grass to the porch.

Barely, almost inaudibly, came the squeak of an opening door. A slight figure slipped out and into the arms of the waiting visitor.

Sqi-bl-ish! Grrrunch!!

"Now, all together!!" came a voice from behind a tree.

Then there arose a shout from all

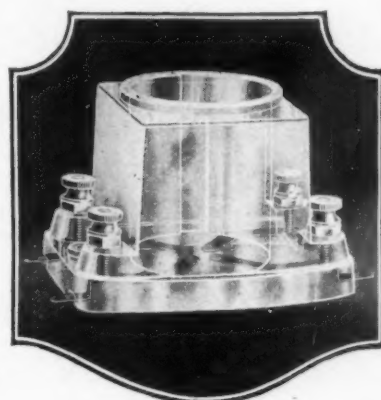
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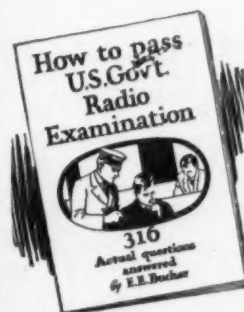
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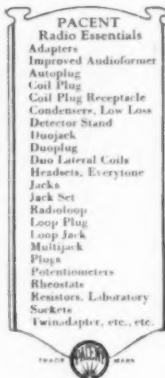
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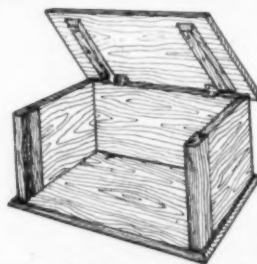
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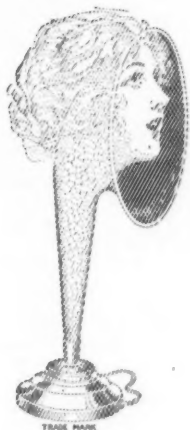
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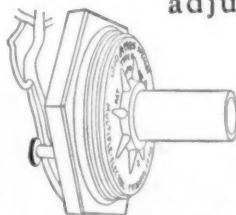
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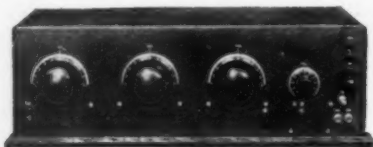
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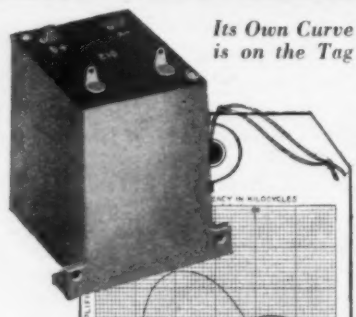
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the fact that they permit the R. F. current to cross these windings easily.

#### The Try-Out

OMIT condensers  $C_1$  to  $C_4$  in the first wiring job. Bell wire is suggested for the connections inasmuch as it is fairly flexible, well insulated and easy to alter if need be. Lamp cord is used for connections that require bending when tubes and batteries are inserted. When you first connect up the set you haven't an efficient radio frequency amplifier and the first attention is to the 3-stage audio amplifier. You probably are already familiar with the fact that there is almost always a "howl" noticed when a 3-step audio amplifier is first hooked up. This is due to regeneration or inter-action between stages through high transformer coupling and tube coupling. It is overcome by reversing polarity at one of the stages, usually the first or second. To do this, merely interchange the "P" and "B" connections to the primary winding of either the first or the second transformer. This audio trouble must be stopped before the radio frequency part will function.

Next try reception, preferably at a time when a strong nearby station is on the air. The signal will probably be quite faint, even with the loop in the optimum position. Then connect a .00025 mfd. fixed condenser in at  $C_4$  and the same size at  $C_3$ . Volume should then be satisfactory. Next turn the set around so that the loop is at right angles to the station's direction. Tune carefully with the variable condenser and note whether adjustment of the potentiometer results in an increase of sensitivity. It is not possible to heterodyne the incoming signal because of the resulting "squawk" set up in the amplifier by overloading. Hence you cannot approach the oscillating point too closely or a howl will commence.

The loop connections should be reversed, as results are always better with them in a certain direction. This is due to some slight inter-action between the loop and the receiver. Also try reversing the phone unit connections for improvement of tone, using loud music, preferably, for this adjustment. Should volume be lacking with the loop pointing toward the station and sensitiveness be absent when it is at right angles, increase  $C_4$  to .0005 mfd. or at the most to .001. Beyond this, try .00025 mfd. condensers, first at  $C_1$ , then at  $C_2$  and finally at both. Consistent with sensitivity, the by-pass condensers should be kept low in capacity and not used unless necessary, because condensers used across audio transformers to excess result in deadened, dull quality of tone. Hence the adjustment must be a compromise between good quality from local stations and good sensitivity for stations 100 miles or so distant.

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to the top will serve nicely. It is also necessary to arrange one disc of the feed reel so that it may be conveniently removed for replacements. To do this, the writer turned down a brass shaft and provided it with a thread and a winged nut which was used to hold the disc in place while the device was in use. Other experimenters may devise a more ingenious method if they do not have the facilities for metal turning.

The pick-up reel may be permanently mounted, for the used tape can be very easily unrolled and stored away for future reference. However, the pick-up must be provided with a handle for turning. This is accomplished by soldering a small piece of brass to the shaft and providing it with the cork of an ink bottle. The latter can be attached with the aid of a brass machine screw about 8-32 size.

While on the subject of the pick-up reel, it might be well to suggest that there is nothing in the wide world to prevent a builder from scheming out a motor drive for this dingbat. A worm on a toy motor shaft and a smaller gear on the shaft of the reel would be nothing less than the now proverbial cat's nighty. A small rheostat in series with the motor could adjust the thing to meet the sending fist of the whole range of ham operators.

On some dark night, the family pantry will have to be relieved of two cocoa tins of the same size. Of course any tin can of the required shape and size will do. Cocoa tins are simple among the possibilities.

If the cocoa tins are used, it will be necessary to cut them off about half length. If a neat job is required it is not advisable to butcher them in half with a pair of snips. A little patience and a three-cornered file is the safe and sane way although it may not appeal to those who like to get an idea one hour and have it working the next.

The cocoa tins, after they are cut down, must be provided with small brass lugs soldered to their sides as shown. The four upper lugs are to carry the fibre rollers over which the tape passes on its way from the feed to the pick-up reel. The lugs are provided with small bearing holes that may be put in with a prick-punch. Ordinary pins may be used to hold the fibre rollers to the bearing—that is, the pin is driven into the fibre rod and forms the actual shaft. If fibre is not available in this size and shape, small wooden dowls boiled in paraffin will make splendid substitutes.

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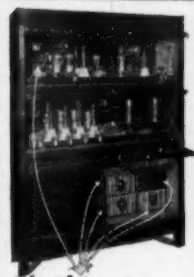
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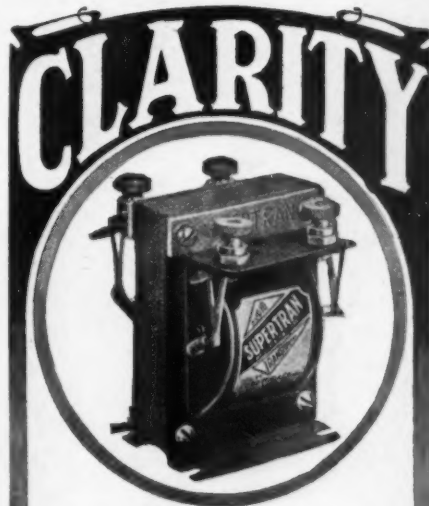


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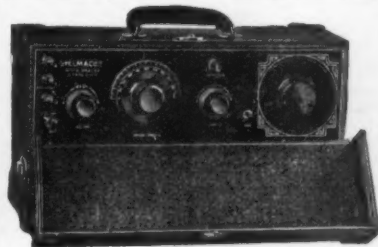
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The solution is made by dissolving the potassium iodide crystals in luke warm water. It will be found that about one ounce of the crystals will make about one pint of the solution. The tin containing the solution is placed in front of the feed reel so that the tape will be moistened with it before it reaches the actual recorder. When it does reach this member, two small silver or platinum wires with rounded ends are allowed to come in contact with it. Since these wires are connected to the positive and negative poles of a single, dry cell, current will pass through the liquid on the tape every time the relay closes the circuit. A few trials will permit the builder to determine the best position for the wires. A separation of about a thirty-second of an inch will be about right.

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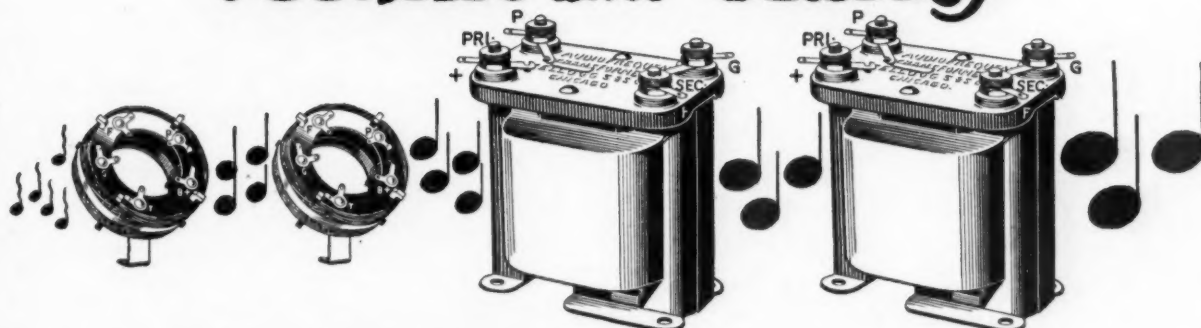
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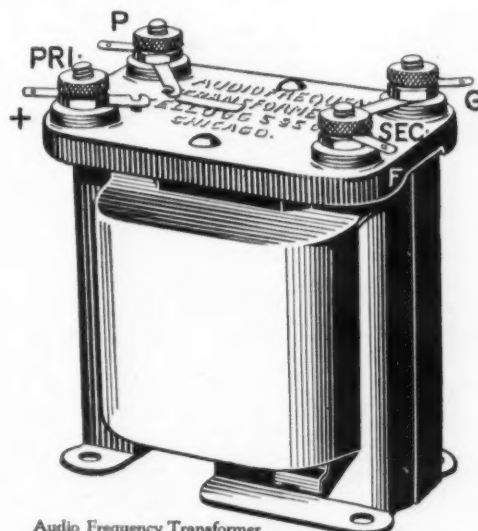
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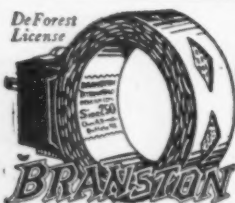
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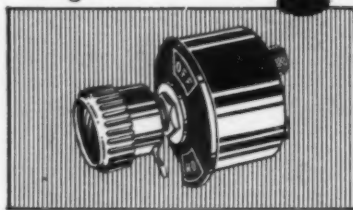


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## EXPERIMENTING WITH A LOOP

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sults in a considerable increase in signal strength. This may be particularly apparent where the set is operated well above the ground level. But static, electric disturbances and interference will come in "via the ground" and the decrease in selectivity, even with the aid of a wave trap, may make the ground connection undesirable. Either side of the *A* battery connected to ground, may increase signal strength greatly.

There has been much written regarding "dead-end" effects in coils. That unused turns of wire certainly have an effect may be demonstrated in the case of the loop by using part of the loop only, as tuning inductance, determining the wave length, then removing the unused turns completely from the loop frame. The wave length is lowered. It is very interesting to insert a variable condenser across the "dead end" part; when the setting of the condenser is changed, the tuning of the receiver is likewise changed and an increase of condenser across the dead end means higher wave length tuning for the receiver. "Short-circuiting" the unused portions of the loop certainly has a pronounced effect. Some sets refuse to function when the portion of the loop which is unused is connected to the loop input directly connected to the grid of the first radio frequency tube socket, as in Fig. 4.

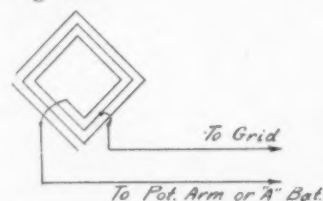


Fig. 4. Unused Turns of Short-Circuited Loop; Here Shown at Grid End, Should be at Filament End of Loop

A "straight-line wave length" variable condenser instead of the more usual "straight-line capacity" (usual semi-circular rotor plate type), gives better tuning on the low wave lengths, when shunted in the usual fashion across the loop.

A series of regeneration may be utilized in the tube circuit nearest the loop by using half of the loop as tuning inductance and the balance in the plate circuit of the tube. Note the necessity for the insertion of a condenser as indicated in Fig 5. As this means one more

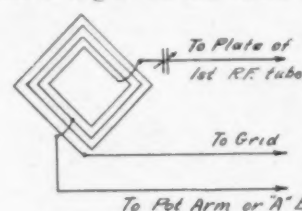


Fig. 5. Connection of Mid-Tap Loop

control, adding of regeneration may not be advantageous. As the number of turns



available in the loop for use in the plate circuit will vary with the particular loop in use, the value of the condenser shown in Fig. 5 cannot be told with accuracy. If the number of turns available be large, the condenser need perhaps be only a "Chelton Midget," but if few, a 23-plate condenser might be necessary. Different hook-ups would also affect the regeneration requirements as to turns in loop and value of condenser.

The tapped loop used by David Grimes in his inverse duplex hook-ups often is advantageous with other types of loop sets. In its simplest form this may be used as in Fig. 6. Note that the variable

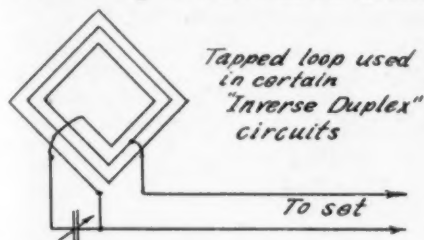


Fig. 6. Tapped Loop Used With Inverse Duplex Set

condenser shunts the whole number of turns in the loop, while only a portion of the whole inductance of the loop turns go to the set. Where strong local signals seem to "choke up" the set, this scheme may be especially beneficial.

To gain additional selectivity, a wave trap may be often used to advantage with a loop. This may consist of another loop placed close to the loop used in tuning the set, with its terminals shunted by a variable condenser of about .0005 mfd. capacity. The trap is operated in the same manner as that next described. The trap loop should be placed, if possible, between interfering station and loop used for tuning, rather than on the side of tuning loop away from the interfering station.

The wave trap may also be of the usual inductively coupled type, consisting of about 55 turns of about No. 22 DCC magnet wire wound on a 3-inch tube, shunted by a .0005 mfd. variable condenser. At one end of the 55 turns, 15 turns tapped at, say, 5, 10 and 15 turns, are then wound over the first layer. The 55 turns then constitute a "tuned" secondary and the tapped 15 turns a "semi-fixed" primary. The "trap" works to "absorb" an unwanted signal. The primary is connected in the loop circuit between the loop and the terminal of the set which does not connect to the grid of the first R. F. tube. Fig. 7. The

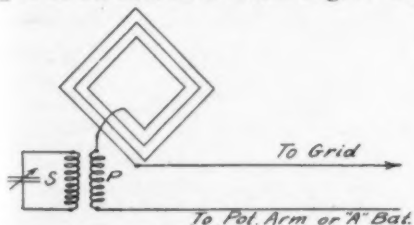


Fig. 7. Wave Trap with Loop

set is tuned (with the trap condenser at



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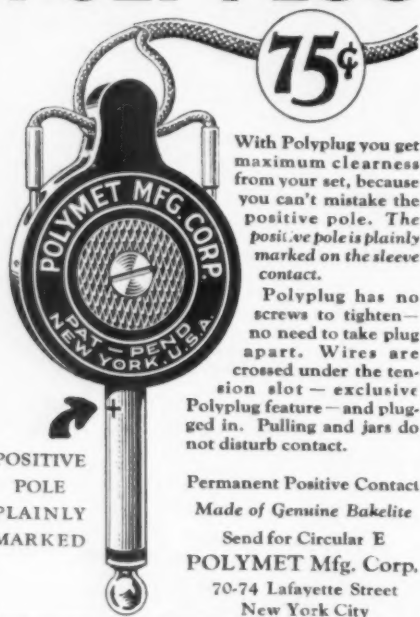
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A bit of parting advice to users of sets which have small loops incorporated in the set or who use loops wound on sticks less than 3 feet long: the pick-up ability and consequent volume of signals will be greatly increased by increasing the size of the loop to 3 feet or preferably even larger. The large loop may mean the difference between headphone and loud-speaker volume.

## QUERIES AND REPLIES

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tube. If you wish to use a storage battery tube, you will have to increase the voltage to 6 volts, and change the sockets to accommodate the larger tubes.

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**HARMONICS:** Side-door Pullman emissions from wave trains.

**CRYSTAL DETECTOR:** Amusement device, employing time of listeners in adjusting and procuring cat's mustachios.

**MODULATION:** System of splitting C. W. up into chunks so it sounds like a dog fight.

**SELECTIVITY:** Attribute of single circuit receivers which excludes all signals except those from all over the universe.

**STATIC:** Try and find out.

**TUNING:** A deliberately acquired habit of twisting the knobs off a delicate instrument in order to hear static at a distance.

**RECTIFIER, CHEMICAL:** Efficient form of heater which exudes borax solution all over carpets and rugs.

**RADIATION:** A measure of the maddening discord in the antenna.

**PLUG:** Affectionate term applied to a fellow who loans you a tube. Variations: good plug, old horse, etc.

**DECREMENT:** Rapidity with which senile currents lay down and die with their boots on.

**AMPLIFIER:** Specially constructed device, to bellow like a bull at audio,—and squeal like a Chink at radio freq.

**ANNOUNCER:** Individual specially trained to masticate the English language.

**ARMSTRONG CIRCUIT:** One operated by hand in which inductances are "tapped" and "beat" notes produced.

**BROADCASTING:** The art of afflicting listeners with howling dervishes at a distance.

**ELECTRONS:** Electric charges better heard than seen.

**GROUND:** Place where holes are found by digging—used to plant antenna crops.

**HENRY:** Manufacture of that indispensable radio accessory—the Ford coil.

**FREQUENCY:** Feminine trait of currents to change their minds.

**JACK:** See below.

**KICK-BACK:** See above.

**IMPEDANCE:** Speed traps for joy-riding currents.

**LOG:** Amusing book of fairy tales enumerating "Stations worked."

**MEGOHM:** Contraction of Scandinavian expression: "Me go by the house in."

**MICROPHONE:** Applied at howling dervish camps to attack listeners at a distance.

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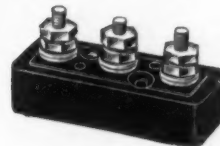
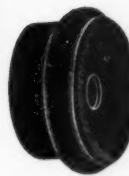
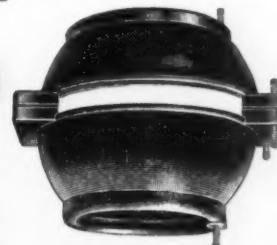
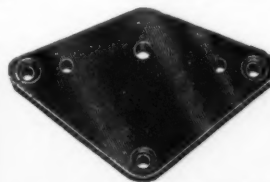
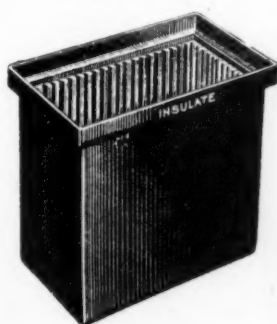
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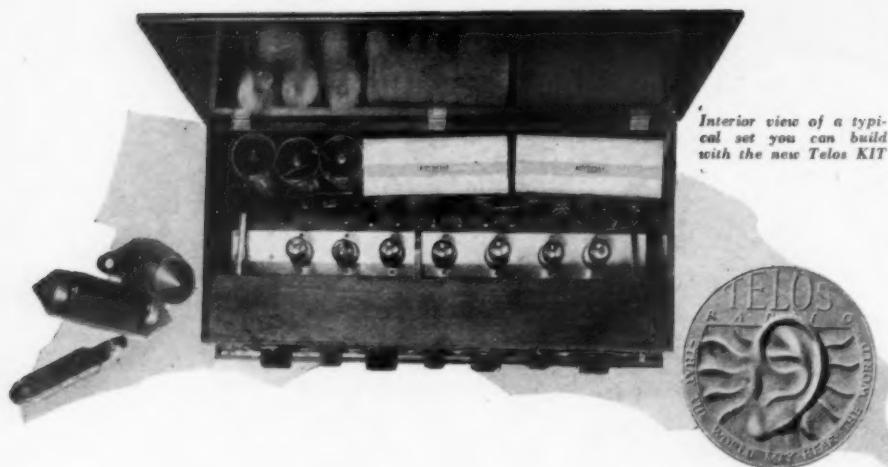
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**PLATE BATTERY:** Pantry shelves stocked with above plates.

**RADIOGRAM:** Radio message. Also hodge-podge of "Dear Willie 9xPBF, Our cat has kittens, love, Jimmy," worth its weight in poison to anyone but a deep-dyed ham.

**RELAY, RADIO:** Efficient device operating a local circuit. (Try and get it.)

**SPECIFIC GRAVITY:** Facial expression when the ten-watter blows up.

**SPAGHETTI: TUBING:** Used in some sets to hide iron wire connections and bum joints.

**SOFT TUBE:** Duct in brain of radio enthusiasts,—also in non-enthusiasts.

**VACUUM TUBE:** Deceitful device enclosed with glass intended to be burned out through short circuits.

**WATT:** Measure of tube input until tube is thoroughly fused,—result then called: "Ohwhatamess."

**SLIDER:** Temporary occupation of a ham sliding off a roof.

**SHARP TUNING:** Attribute of condensers with Gillette plates.

**RADIO LINK:** (Missing link): Undiscovered connection between a good receiver and a price of \$8743.00.

**RHEOSTAT:** Device designed to get all "het" up over its work.

**OSCILLATIONS:** Mischievous pranks of young and giddy currents.

**POTENTIAL:** State or condition of a circuit discovered by placing a finger on each wire.

**HOOK-UP:** Menial task assigned by wives to husbands who since adapted it to radio.

**E. M. F.:** Contraction of Umf! or Umph! meaning "Here I come."

**ARC:** Harmonic factory,—a hot sketch.

**ATMOSPHERICS:** Gaseous emissions at club meetings.

**CHOKE COIL:** Invented by great orator, Patrick Henry; used to keep audience in submission.

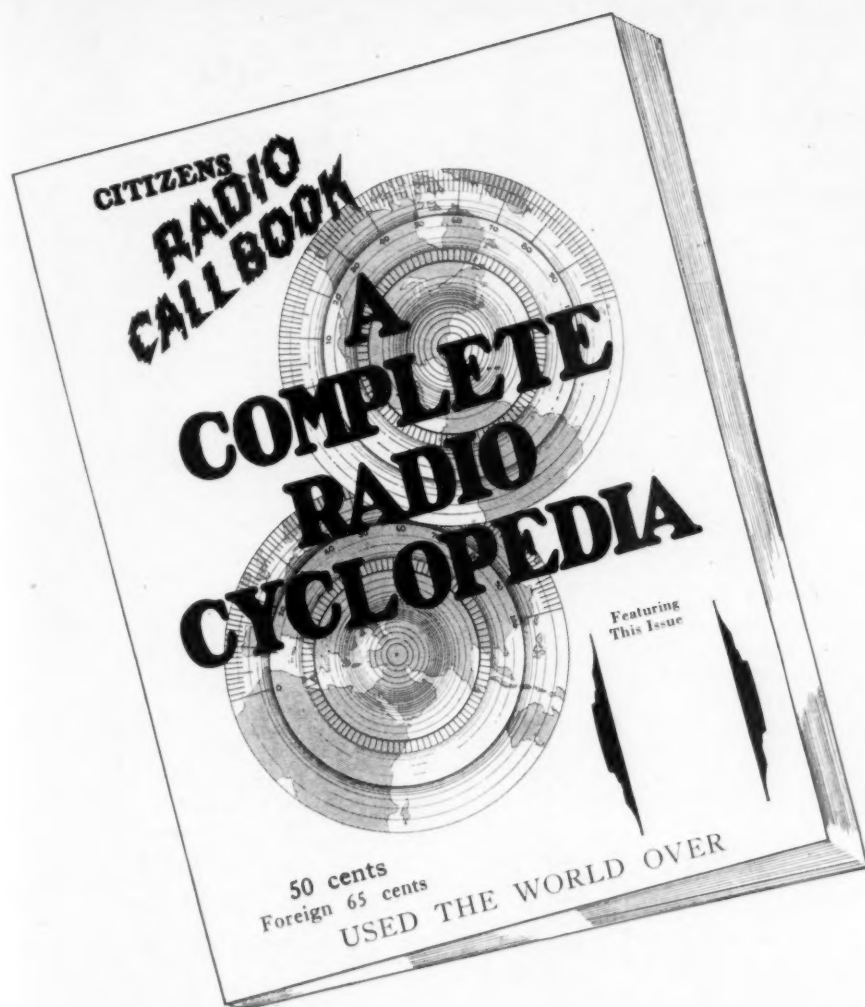
**AMMETER:** Arbitrary device which always "lies" in the antenna.

**ETHER:** Hard, soft, thick, thin, substance which is rigid, flexible and stiff—any one of either.

**STORAGE BATTERY:** Device designed to leak acid in small dribbles (quart) on polished floors and on carpets.

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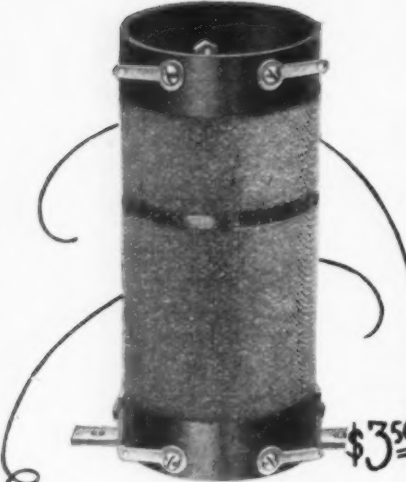
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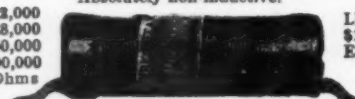
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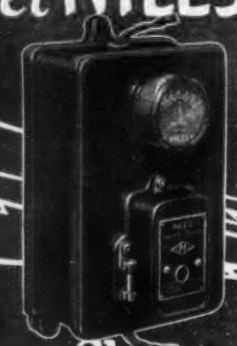
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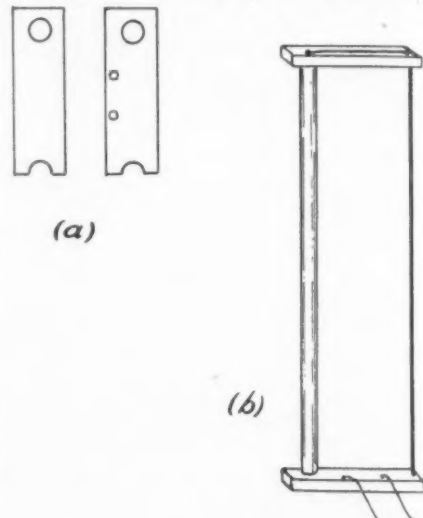
**IMPROVED LOOP ANTENNA**  
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steel. The steel tube seems to be somewhat better by test.

Constructional details are as follows:  
The materials needed are a 3-ft. piece of 1/2 in. iron conduit such as used for house wiring. A piece of ordinary iron pipe would do. Two blocks of wood 1 in. thick, 1 1/2 in. wide, and 8 in. long. About 90 feet of Litz wire will also be needed.

Remove all rough edges from the inside of each end of the conduit so there will be no danger of damaging the insulation of the wire.

Drill a hole in one end of each wood block of such a size that the block can be pressed tightly on the end of the conduit. Also cut a notch in one end of each block as shown in Fig. 4. Round the



(a) (b)

Fig. 4. Constructional Details of Single-Wire Loop

edges of this notch so the wire will not be damaged. If the constructor wishes to make a very neat job the edges may all be slightly rounded.

Two small holes should now be drilled in one of these blocks to provide a starting and an ending place for the ends of the loop. The purpose of the notches in the outer ends of the wood blocks is to cause the wires to bunch together. This seems to increase the effectiveness of the loop very materially.

The winding is rather difficult as the wire must be passed through the tube and wound tightly around the notches. A piece of heavy wire with a small eye at one end can be used to fish the Litz through the tube. The completed loop is shown in Fig. 4b. This loop operates in a vertical position. The shield should be connected to the ground for best results.

The loop shown in Fig. 5 operates on the same principle but does not require a ground. The materials required are: A strip of wood 1 in. thick by 2 in. wide. Its length is only limited by the height of the ceiling in the room in which it is to be used. In general the longer this



strip is the better, within reason. An ordinary binding post can be used at each end to hold the wires.

No. 30 DCC wire was used in the writer's. This wire is carried back and forth between the binding posts until seven strands are wound on. The ends of each of these wires must make an electrical connection to the binding posts. The wires are allowed to bunch themselves. No. 30 wire is used for the leads to the set, only one wire of this size leading from each binding post.

The principle of operation may be understood from Fig. 5. The neutraliza-

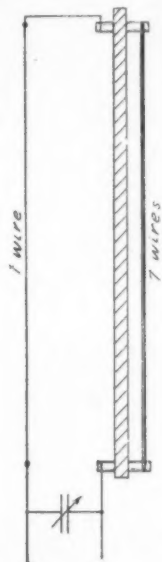


Fig. 5. Eight-Wire Loop Without Ground Wire

tion of this loop by a current induced in an opposing direction in the other side is avoided by the fact that seven wires form one side while one wire forms the other side. This gives the current induced in six wires. This loop was only used on a short wave set ranging around 150 meters. Two of the longer wave stations were received on their harmonics. WTAS was received on 143 meters and WOAW was received on 175 meters. The former station is about 300 miles distant while the latter is more than 500 miles distant. These results were obtained on a Round circuit using one tube.

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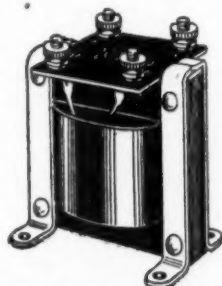


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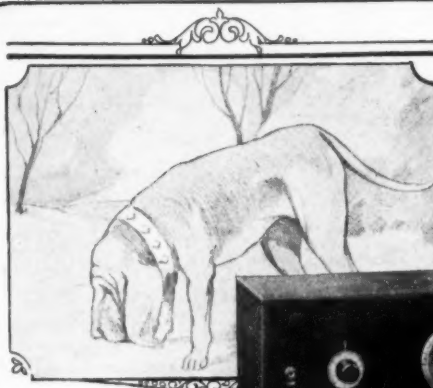
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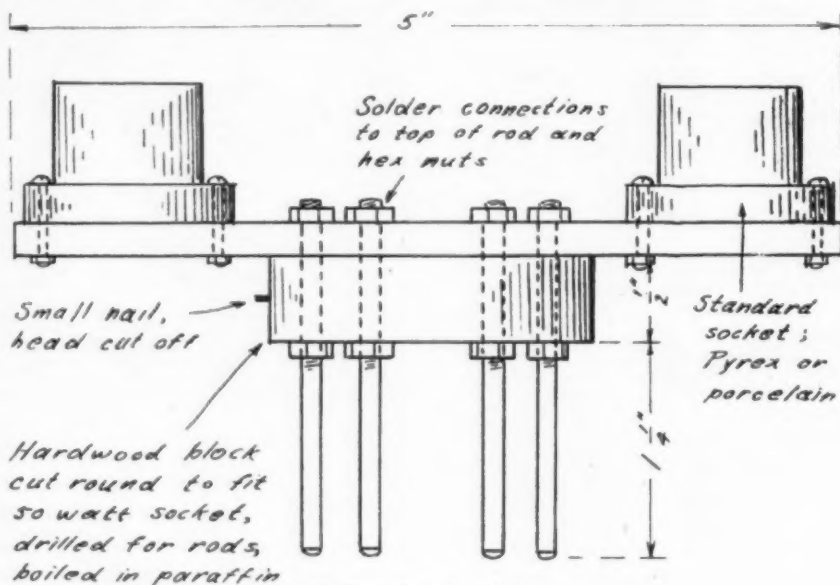
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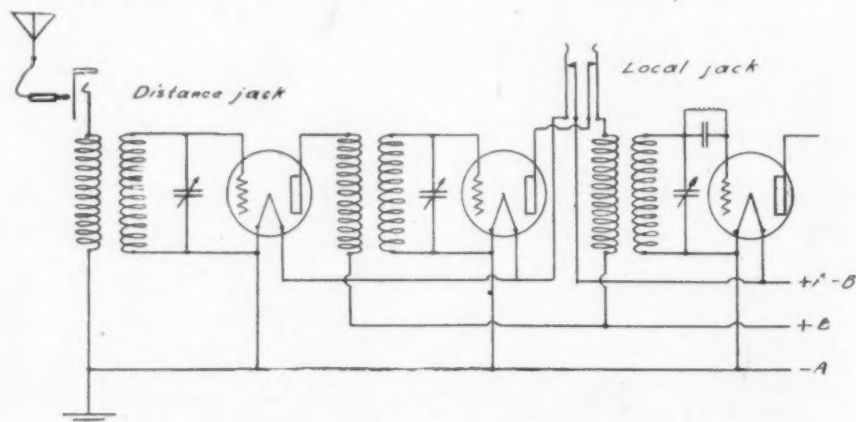
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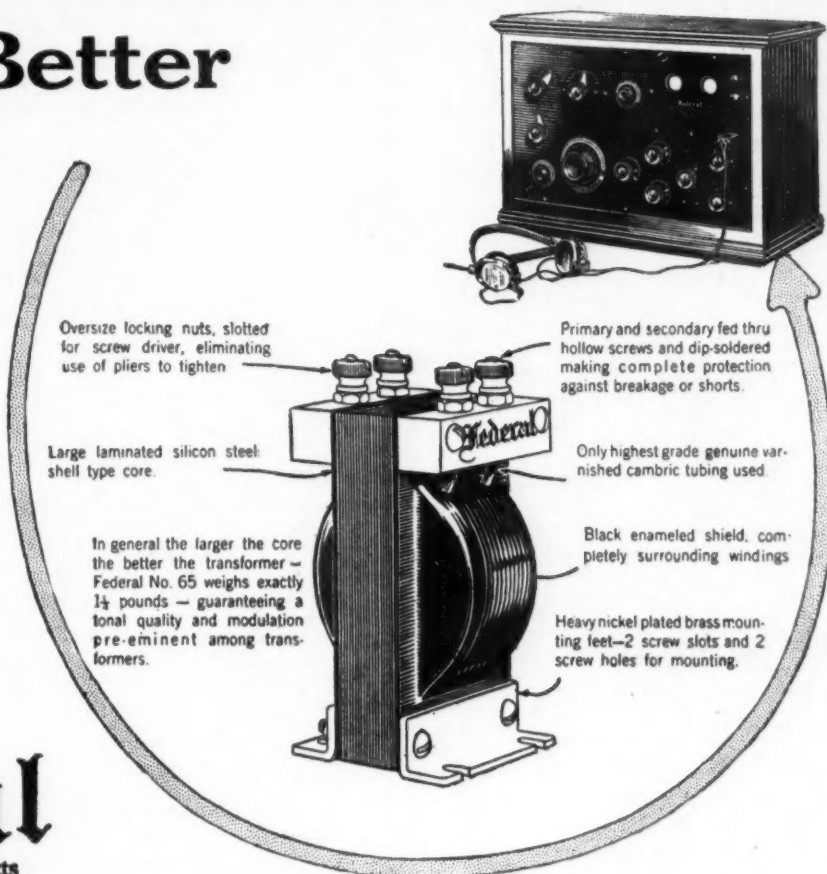
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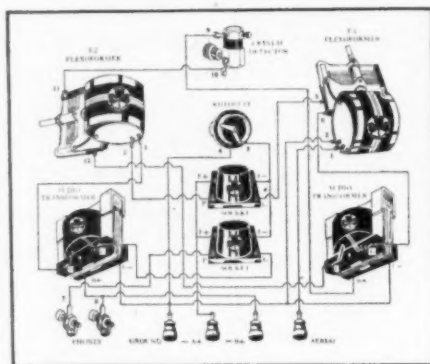
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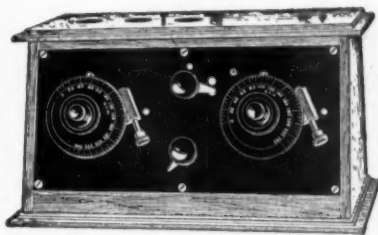
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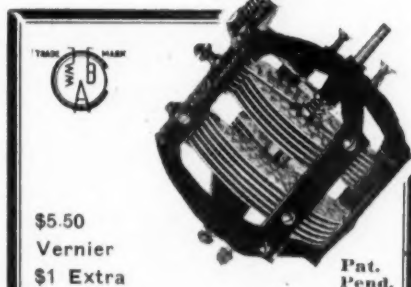
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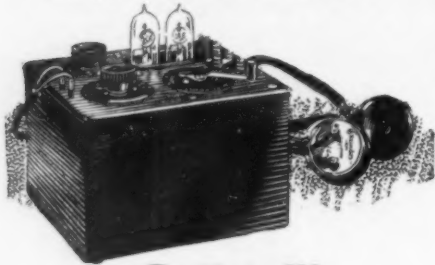
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2efk, 2fx, 2fj, 2ke, 2km, 2kw, 2le, 2mc,  
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3bb, 3bhv, 3bjp, 3bnm, 3bnu, 3bnw, 3bg,  
3bsf, (3bta), 3caz, 3cgn, 3chc, 3chg, 3chl,  
3fo, 3gk, 3gq, 3hh, 3kl, 3il, 3lw, 3md, 3nf,  
3nm, 3oe, (3ot), 3ox, 3sd, 3wb, 3xl, 4do,  
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8bcq, 8cdt, (8ced), 8cej, 8che, 8cp, 8cpl,  
8cta, 8cuk, 8cuy, 8cyl, 8dae, 8dah, 8dgp,  
8dnb, 8dne, 8dnf, 8doo, (8dph), 8dsn, 8duo,  
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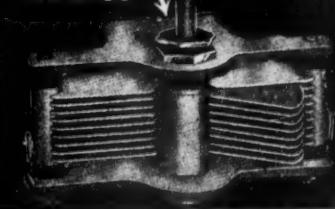
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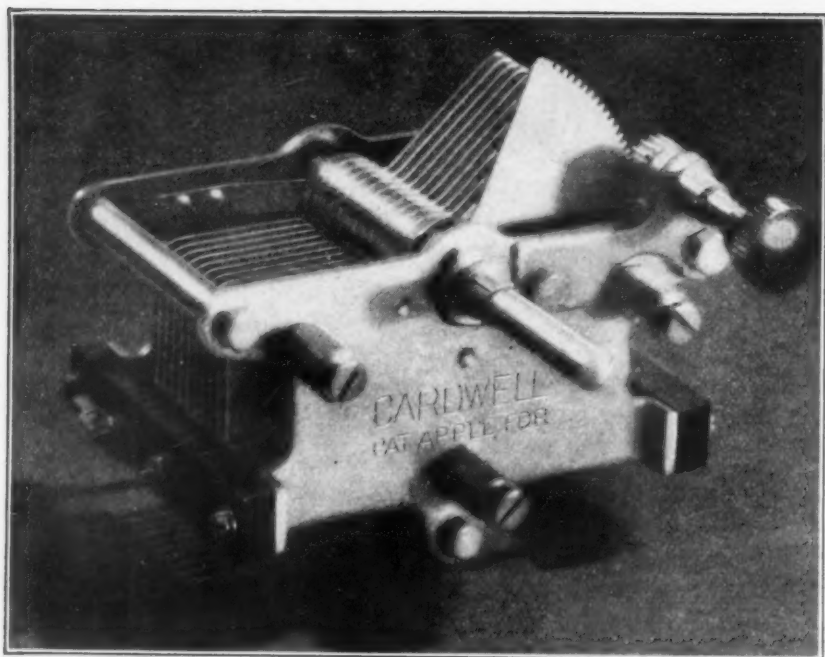
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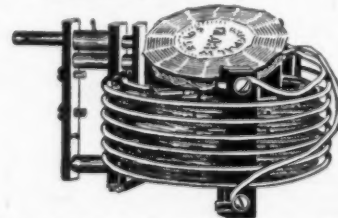
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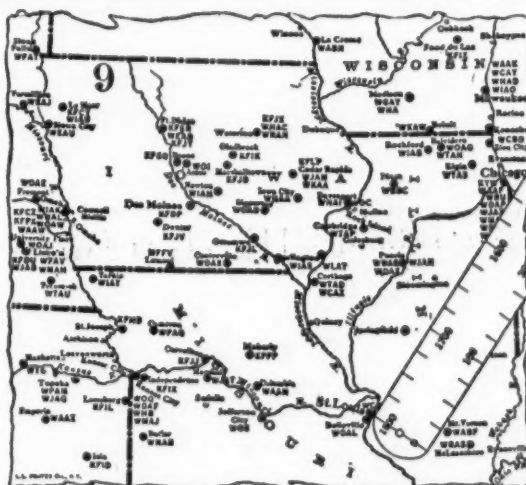
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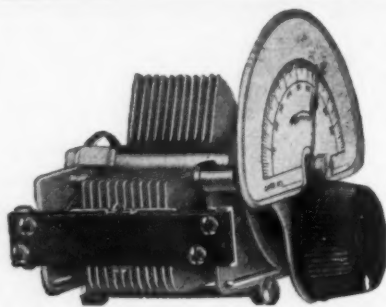
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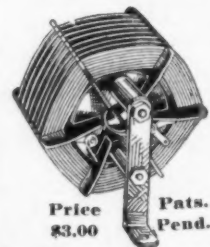
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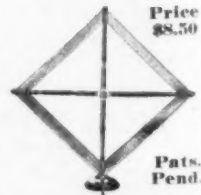
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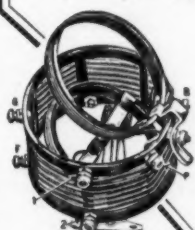
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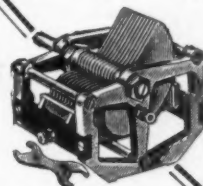


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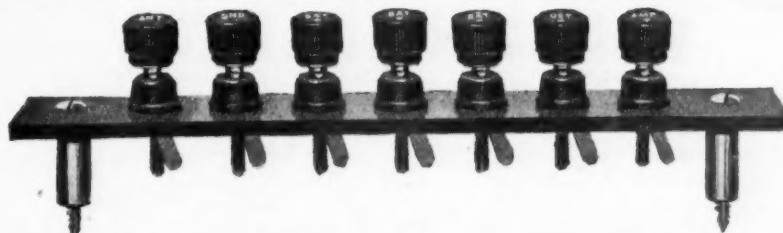
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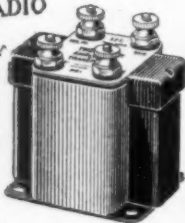
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Condenser  
.00025  
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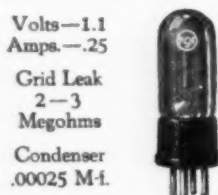
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Volts—1.1  
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Grid Leak  
2—3  
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### WD-11 or C-11

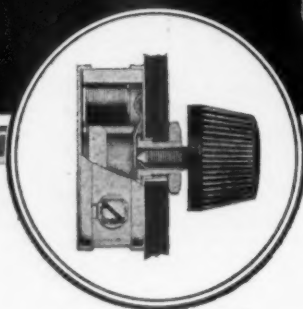
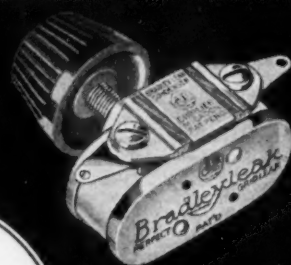
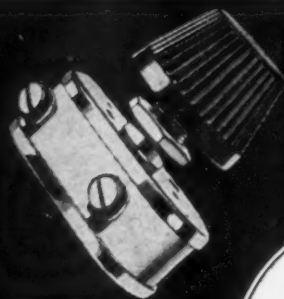


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Amps.—.25  
Grid Leak  
2—3  
Megohms  
Condenser  
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Volts—3  
Amps.—.06  
Grid Leak  
2—9  
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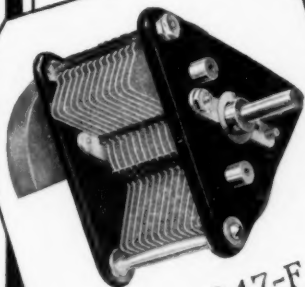
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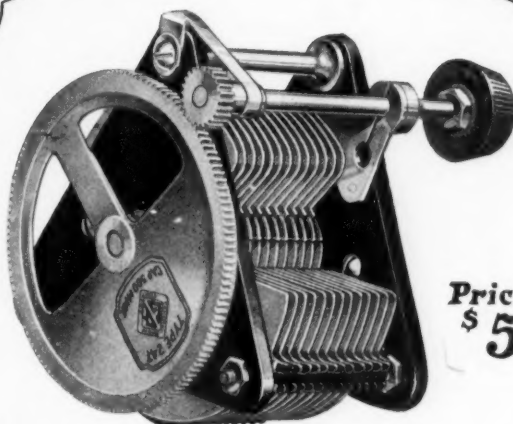
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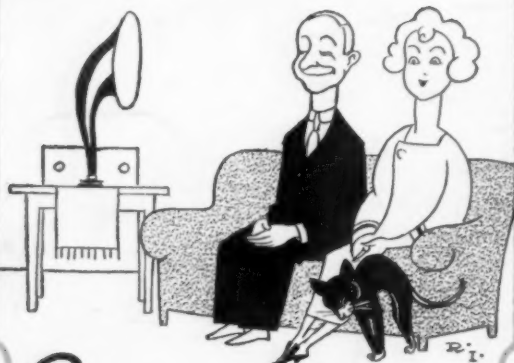
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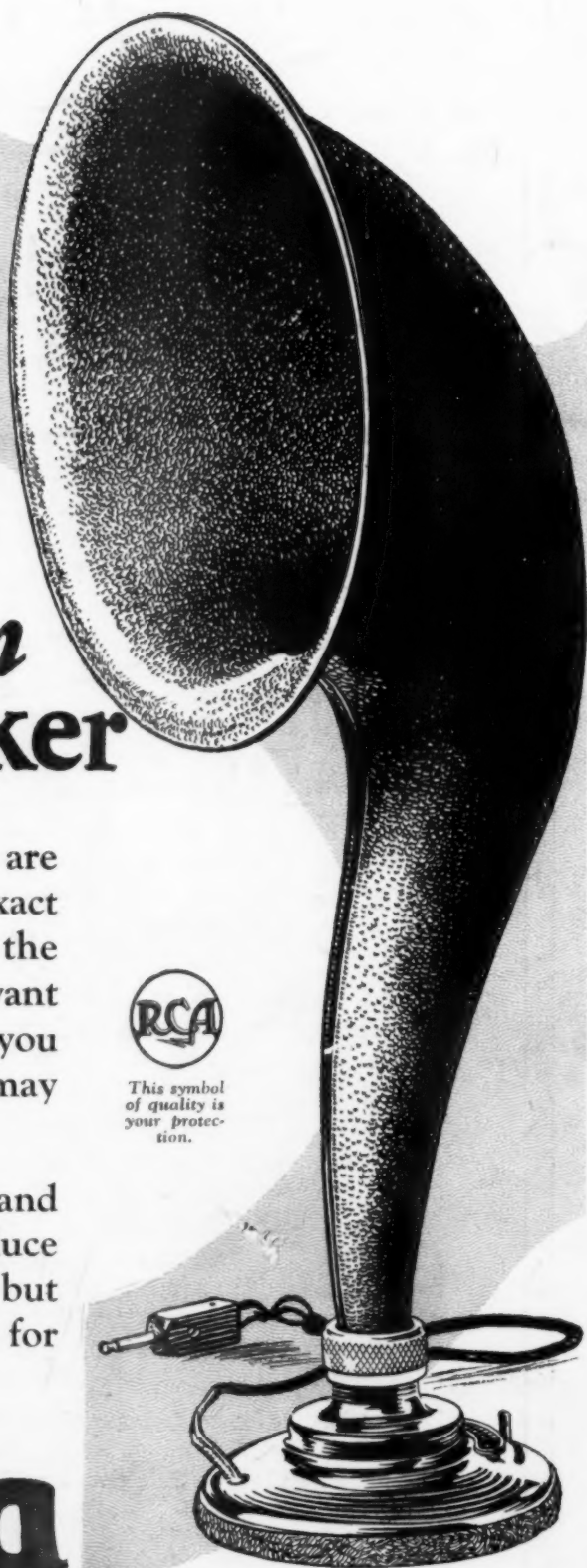
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